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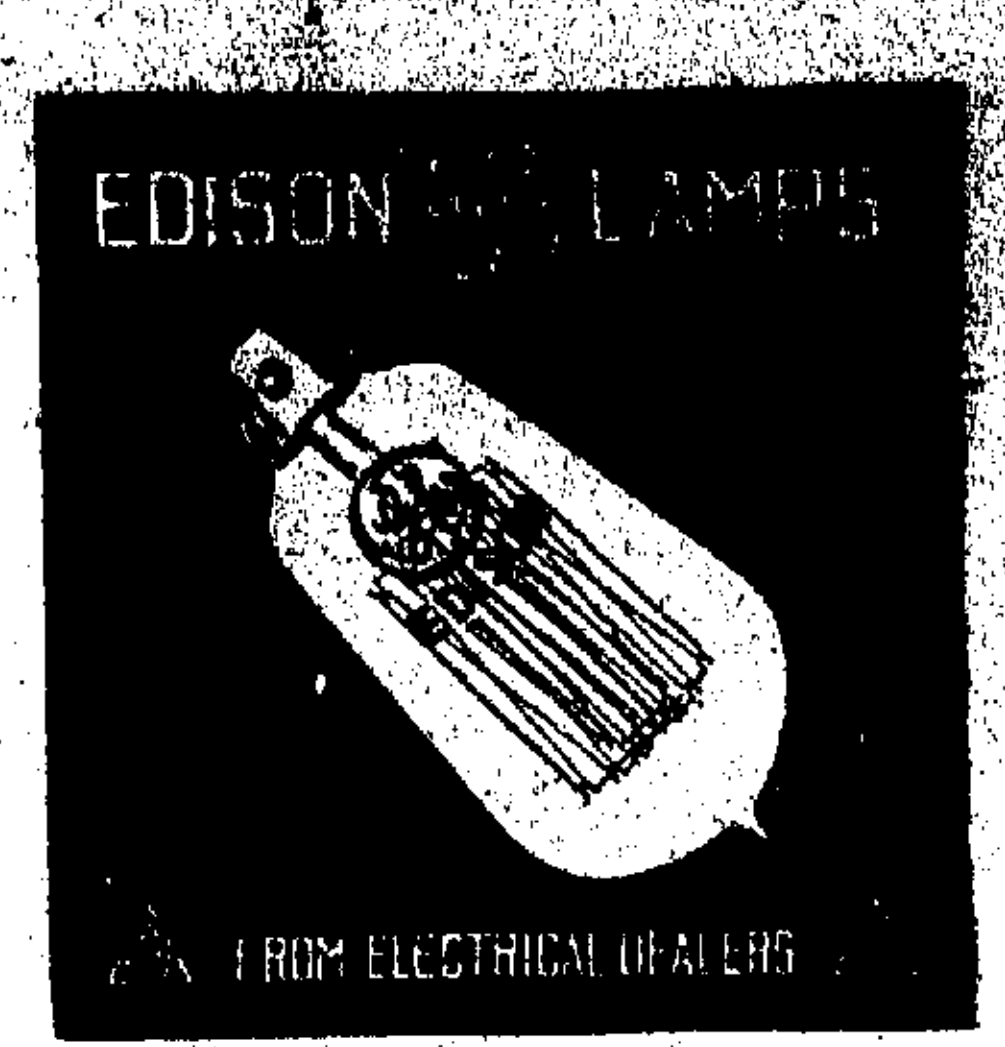
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HONGKONG MATTERS IN PARLIAMENT.

The "Mui Tsai" System.

(Reuter's Service.)

London, April 13.

In the House of Commons, replying to Lord Henry Cavendish-Bentinck, Mr. Churchill said he was unaware of the appointment of a Board of Investigation to inquire into the *mui tsai* system in Hongkong. He was informed that a Committee of Chinese ladies was being formed to assist in this connection the Po Leung Kuk, which was of the greatest assistance to the Colonial Government in all matters connected with the protection of women and girls.

The Naval Hospital.

London, April 13.

In the House of Commons, replying to Commander Bellairs, Colonel Amery stated that the maximum number of patients that could be accommodated at the Royal Naval Hospital, Hongkong, was 134. The maximum and minimum accommodated in 1920 were 99 and 52 respectively. Eleven convalescents were sent from the Hongkong Hospital to the Yokohama Naval Hospital in 1920. The latter was not reopened until June 16th, 1920, which was after the usual time of the year for the transfer of convalescents thither from Hongkong.

THE INDUSTRIAL CRISIS.

Triple Alliance to Strike on Friday Night.

London, April 13.

In the House of Commons, replying to Mr. Asquith, Mr. Lloyd George read a letter from the National Union of Railwaymen announcing the Triple Alliance decision to strike at 10 o'clock on Friday night, and said that the Government deeply deplored the decision. Undoubtedly the situation was very grave, but he hoped that wiser counsels would prevail. Meanwhile the Government was concentrating all necessary measures to meet the emergency.

National Rally in Support of Government.

London, April 13.

It is expected that the next peace move will come from the Labour leaders outside of the Triple Alliance. It is not ascertainable how many unions support the Triple Alliance, but Mr. Thomas, announcing the decision, added that many other unions had applied to join the strike, and stated that these include the Electrical Trades Union. On the other hand, district returns of the ballot of the Sailors' and Firemen's Union so far show substantial majorities against a strike.

The national rally in support of the Government continues. Recruiting of the Defence Force has greatly increased following the killing of mischievous rumours. A committee representing ex-Servicemen's organisations, at a meeting at Edinburgh, unanimously decided call to upon ex-servicemen to assist in preserving life and property at this grave national crisis.

Serious Disturbance in Fifehire.

London, April 13.

The temper of the miners in some areas is taking an ugly turn. For example, a serious disturbance occurred at Thornton Junction, Fifehire, where several thousand miners compelled a number of railway signalmen to leave their signal cabins, causing a practical suspension of traffic, but Marines and sailors were called in and traffic was resumed. The strikers then looted goods trains and two shops, but were driven off by police, soldiers, and sailors, who were rushed up in lorries. A score of rioters were arrested.

Locomotive Enginemen and Firemen to Join Strike.

London, April 13.

The locomotive enginemen and firemen, who have their own union independently of the National Union of Railwaymen, and whose attitude has hitherto been doubtful, have decided also to strike on Friday.

Mr. Lloyd George has written the leaders of the Railwaymen and Transport Workers asking the grounds on which it has been decided to inflict such a serious blow on their fellow-countrymen.

THE DAVIS CUP.

Efforts to Secure Japanese Player.

London, April 13.

It is understood that Shimidzu, the Japanese tennis player, has cabled from Calcutta saying he will be unable to represent Japan in the Davis Cup this year. Further efforts are being made through the National Tennis Club of Japan to obtain his release from business with a view to his participating in Japan's debut in international tennis.

Tilden, the world's champion, is of opinion that Japan will be the challengers if Shimidzu plays.

AIR SERVICE FROM LONDON TO COPENHAGEN.

Travel de Luxe.

London, April 13.

Holland and Britain are being brought into quicker communication by the inauguration of a daily Dutch air service between London and Amsterdam. The schedule time is four hours and the fare ten guineas. An air connection from Amsterdam to Copenhagen, "flying Pullmans" as they are termed, is to be provided, with luxuriously-fitted armchairs and writing-tables.

ARMY BEATS NAVY AT FOOTBALL.

London, April 14.

In an Association football match at Portsmouth, the Army beat the Navy by 3 goals to nil.

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MORE TAXES.

New Stamp Duties for Hongkong.

COMPREHENSIVE MEASURE INTRODUCED.

An important Bill, amending the law relating to Stamp Duty, was read a first time in the Legislative Council Chamber today. It imposes several new duties and increases others. From the Objects and Reasons we extract the following:

The objects of this bill are (a) to increase the revenue from stamp duties (b) to facilitate the collection of those duties and prevent evasion, and (c) to correct various defects in the present law which have long been known to exist. The need for additional revenue is urgent.

The bill is based as far as possible on the United Kingdom Stamp Acts, references to which appear in the marginal notes throughout. There is, however, one great difference between the Acts and this bill. In the United Kingdom, speaking generally and subject to certain clear exceptions, the payment of stamp duty is voluntary. In other words, it is no offence not to stamp an instrument, and the Crown cannot sue for the duty. The only sanction is that if the instrument ever has to be given in evidence in civil proceedings it is not admitted until the duty, and a small penalty, have been paid. In the bill the payment of stamp duty is made compulsory in every case except four, i.e., attested copies, duplicates, agreements of service with a corporate body, and agreements under hand (other than agreements for the sale of goods and other property, the stamping of which is made compulsory). In other words, the Collector can sue for the duty, and it is also a criminal offence not to stamp. The position under the existing Ordinance is not clear: it is arguable that stamping is compulsory, but the current opinion is that except in certain special cases, stamping is voluntary as in the United Kingdom.

Certain duties imposed by the bill are entirely new, i.e., the duties on agreements for the sale of goods, on exchange contracts and on telegraphic transfers and the late registration duty. Others are new to the Colony, i.e., the duties on share contract notes and on certificates to practise. The definitions in clause 3 of the bill are based largely on the United Kingdom Acts. Attention is drawn to the new definitions of "cheque" and "partnership instrument." The former will make illegal the evasion of bill of exchange duty carried out by the use of cheques (in the old sense) drawn by bankers here on their branches or agents outside the Colony. The definition of "partnership instrument" it will be seen, is not limited to instruments used in the formation of a partnership.

Sub-clause (5) of 5 make the payment of stamp duty a civil debt, and the non-payment of stamp duty a criminal offence, except where in the schedule stamping is stated to be voluntary.

Clause 6 is intended to make all unstamped instruments inadmissible in evidence or for registration, even though, at the time when the instrument is tendered, the payment of duty has not yet, by lapse of time, become a civil debt or a criminal liability.

Clause 10, which deals with splitting, is a general application of a principle which has hitherto been applied in the Colony, and in the United Kingdom, only to the particular case of receipts.

Clause 16, which relates to late stamping by special leave, gives to the Collector some powers at present possessed only by the Governor in Council. It is thought that this will conduce to greater convenience and despatch, and any person aggrieved will be able to appeal to the Governor in Council.

The duty on agreements for the sale of property has been adopted from the United Kingdom Stamp Acts. It is intended to prevent evasion of conveyance duty. The

agreement pays the same *ad valorem* duty as a conveyance; and the subsequent conveyance, pays nothing. If the agreement is rescinded, the duty is returnable. The heading does not apply to agreements for the sale of goods, vessels, or immovable property situate out of the Colony.

Clause 22, which deals with certificates to practise, introduces a form of taxation new to the Colony. The only precedent known is the annual certificate required in the United Kingdom from solicitors and notaries public. The fee there varies from £3 to £9. Under the clause in the bill the certificates must be taken out before beginning to practise, i.e., in the general case, they should be taken out in December for the following year. A temporary regulation will however, be made allowing to persons in practice at the commencement of the Ordinance a period of one month from that date to take out their certificates for 1921.

Clause 23 introduces another entirely new duty, that on exchange contracts. Exchange contracts which result in transactions that pay bill of exchange or telegraphic transfer duty will not pay exchange contract duty. The rate of duty is the same as that on bills of exchange and telegraphic transfers, i.e., 10 cents on every \$500.

The share contract duty is new in Hongkong, but it exists in the United Kingdom. The scale in the United Kingdom advances by thirteen steps, from 6d. on £100 to £1 on amounts over £20,000. The scale in the Schedule to the bill is \$2 for all amounts up to \$10,000 and \$5 for all amounts above that figure.

The telegraphic transfer duty is new, but there seems to be no valid reason why remittances by telegraphic transfer should escape duty while remittances by bill of exchange pay. The rate is the same as the bill of exchange and exchange contract rate, i.e., 10 cents for every \$500.

Clause 29 is an attempt to deal with the problem of blank transfers, i.e., transfers of shares executed by the registered owner in which the name of the transferee is left blank. These transfers pass to successive purchasers before being finally completed and registered and thus many transfers escape paying duty. The question of making all blank transfers illegal was considered but it was thought that such a prohibition would interfere unduly with a common practice which has been found to be useful and convenient. Blank transfers are therefore not made illegal, but an inducement to prompt registration of transfers is offered, or perhaps it should be said, a penalty is placed on late registrations. No late registration penalty is incurred if the transfer is registered within one month after execution by the transferor. It must, however, not be overlooked that this late registration duty is only an additional safeguard against evasion, and that every transfer of shares must in any event pay the share transfer duty. It should be noted that in future all transfers of shares must contain the true date of execution by the transferor, and that no transfers must be accepted unless they either (a) contain the date of execution by the transferor or (b) are duly stamped. This clause refers only to shares on registers kept in the Colony.

Clause 41 is meant to fasten and broaden the liability in the case of instruments executed in the name of a corporate body or firm. It is intended that criminal liability shall attach, to the corporate body itself in the former case, and to the person appearing to have the management in the latter case, upon mere failure to stamp. In other words, the corporate body in the one case, and the manager in the other case, will be liable for the mere omission, apart from any question of intention to evade or of guilty knowledge, and will be bound to see that the instrument is duly stamped.

As it is desirable that the onus should be placed expressly on one side or the other, it seems not unreasonable to place it on the party who has both the knowledge of the facts and a

personal pecuniary interest in the result of the claim or appeal.

The power of inspection given by clause 43 may seem rather wide and severe, but it will probably be used comparatively seldom and it is considered very desirable to have the power in reserve.

The maximum penalty provided in clause 46 (a fine not exceeding \$10,000 and imprisonment not exceeding one year) may seem high, but the temptations to evasion, and the gain resulting from continued evasion, will be great in certain cases.

The Companies (Sale of Shares) Ordinance, 1891, Ordinance No. 5 of 1891, which is known as "Keswick's Ordinance," is repealed in clause 45 (1) because it does not seem reasonable to collect under one Ordinance a duty on instruments which are made void by another Ordinance. That position would arise if Ordinance No. 5 of 1891 were allowed to stand on the statute book after the introduction of the new Share Contract Note duty. The Ordinance, in any case, has not justified itself.

The subject of death duties was formerly regulated by the Stamp Ordinance, 1901, Ordinance No. 16 of 1901, and when a new scale of death duties was introduced by the Estate Duty Ordinance, 1915, Ordinance No. 16 of 1915, it was provided that the old scale should apply to the estates of persons dying before the commencement of the Estate Duty Ordinance. It seems unnecessary to preserve this temporary provision any longer. To repeal it is the object of sub-clause (3) of clause 47 of the bill.

The following remarks apply to the Schedule to the bill:

Adjudication fee.—The adjudication fee has been raised from \$1 to \$10. The amount of duty involved in an adjudication is usually large.

Agreement for the sale of goods.—This duty is new, but the point seems to be a convenient and suitable one at which to impose a tax, and the yield should be substantial. Agreements where the value of the goods does not exceed \$100 are exempt. An adhesive stamp may be used if the agreement is stamped before execution by any party thereto; otherwise, the agreement must be stamped with an overembossed stamp. Stamping is compulsory.

Bill of exchange and Promissory note.—The bill of exchange and promissory note duty in force at present is on a graduated scale. The new rate will be a uniform one of 10 cents for every \$500. For large amounts this is lower than the present rate. It is also considerably lower than the rates in force in the United Kingdom and Straits Settlements. The bill of exchange duty is expressly made to apply to circular notes, letters of credit and "travellers' cheques." The duty on cheques is raised from 5 cents to 10 cents. A temporary regulation will be made allowing the use up to the 30th June of cheques stamped before a date to be specified in the regulation.

Bill of lading.—The duty on bills of lading when the freight is \$3 or more is raised from 20 to 30 cents.

Charter party.—The duty is raised from 10 cents to 25 cents for every \$100 of the charter hire. **Conveyance on sale.**—The present conveyance duty is 50 cents for every \$100. The new schedule keeps to this rate for all cases in which the amount or value of the consideration does not exceed \$5,000, but where it exceeds that figure the new rate will be \$1 for every \$100.

Declaration of trust.—The duty on this has been raised from \$10 to \$20, and the heading is made to include revocations of trust also.

Deed.—The general deed duty has been raised from \$10 to \$20. **Exchange.**—The new duty is to be the same duty as on a conveyance of the property of the greater value. The present duty is a fixed one of \$50.

Foreclosure order.—This is treated as a conveyance on sale, as in the United Kingdom.

Godown warrant.—The duty has been raised from 10 cents to 20 cents.

Lease.—This heading practically adopts an average of the United Kingdom rates, but it

avoids the complications of those rates.

Mortgage.—The present and the proposed rates per \$100 are as follows:

	Present.	Bill.
Mortgage	10 cents.	20 cents.
Agreement for mortgage	10 "	20 "
Collateral security	5 "	20 "
Extension of time	5 "	20 "
Transfer of mortgage	5 "	20 "
Re-assignment	1 "	10 "
Certificate of satisfaction	—	10 "

Partnership instrument.—This will now include all partnership documents, and the duty is being raised from \$5 to \$20.

Policy of insurance.—The duty on marine policies, other than hull risks for time, has been raised to 50 cents per \$1,000, and the duty on fire and accident policies has been doubled.

Power of Attorney.—The duty has been raised from \$4 to \$5.

Transfer of shares.—The duty has been raised from 10 cents to 50 cents per \$100.

Share warrants to bearer.—The duty has been raised from 30 cents to \$2 per \$100. Share warrants to bearer escape the transfer duty.

Shippers' books, etc.—This is designed to meet the actual practice of Chinese shippers by river craft and junk.

Vesting order.—This is treated as a conveyance on sale, as in the United Kingdom.

Voluntary disposition inter vivos.—This is treated as a conveyance on sale, as in the United Kingdom.

DRAFT REGULATIONS.

The following draft regulations in connection with the Bill were laid on the table:

The adhesive stamps to be used on bills of exchange, circular notes, letters, letters of credit, "travellers' cheques," Chinese shippers' books and ships receipts (other than bills of lading) shall be overprinted with the letters "BE."

All instruments relating to land in the New Territories executed in pursuance of the provisions of the New Territories Regulation Ordinance, 1910, shall be exempt from stamp duty.

Cheques stamped before the 14th day of April, 1921, with an impressed and dated stamp of the value of five cents shall be deemed to have been duly stamped if signed before the 30th day of June, 1921.

Cheques stamped before the 14th day of April, 1921, with an impressed and dated stamp of the value of five cents, if signed between the 1st day of July and the 31st day of December, 1921, both days inclusive, shall be deemed to have been duly stamped if an adhesive revenue stamp of the value of five cents shall have been affixed thereto before signature and shall have been effectively cancelled.

Certificates to practise during the year 1921, taken out by persons practising at the commencement of the Ordinance, shall be deemed to have been duly taken out and stamped if taken out and stamped within one month after the commencement of this Ordinance.

THE DISCUSSION.

In moving the first reading the Hon. Attorney General made a lengthy speech, explaining many of the altered and new duties in detail. He said that the existing law had been found very defective and no doubt the present Bill would be found to contain defects also. The Government hoped that the Bill, when published in the *Gazette* would be very closely considered by all classes of persons whom it affected and that they would make any representations they wished as early as possible. Any criticism would be welcomed and carefully considered. It was hoped that any alterations could be speedily made because they wanted the Bill passed as soon as possible.

Proceeding, he stated that it was the duty of the public to accept the increased duties loyally. If they could not pay cheerfully they could at least pay honestly. Any other course would be wrong, and the Government would not hesitate to ask for

imprisonment if any persons were discovered to be systematically trying to avoid the obligations. The maximum fine provided was \$10,000 or one year's imprisonment. Having pointed out that many duties were new to the Colony he proceeded to amplify the explanations given in the "Objects and Reasons."

After the first reading had been agreed to, the Hon. Mr. Pollock asked that copies of the Bill should be circulated to the Chamber of Commerce, the Chinese Chamber of Commerce, and the Stockbrokers' Association. He also asked for a reasonable interval before the second reading was taken.

The Hon. Mr. Holyoak supported, saying it might be considered by some that the Bill was a direct attack on the free trade of the Colony. The Chamber of Commerce should be given reasonable opportunity of considering the whole matter.

H.E. the Officer Administering the Government pointed out that a Committee representing many interests of the Colony had been considering the Bill for months and the Bill was the result of its recommendations. The object of the Bill was to raise more revenue, and when the Budget was introduced last October Hon. Members knew perfectly well that it was anticipated to increase the stamp duties and to impose additional duties. The additional revenue estimated to be raised from that source was then placed at \$1,000,000. He did not understand how it could be thought that the duties would interfere with the freedom of trade—they certainly did not do that. One or two of the duties would have very beneficial effects in controlling transactions that certainly could not be considered a benefit to the trade of the Colony and in that respect ought to be applauded rather than denounced. The Government desired that all interests affected should be given opportunities of expressing opinions and those opinions would be carefully considered.

After further discussion it was decided to adjourn the meeting until Monday afternoon, April 25th, copies of the Bill to be circulated in the meantime to the bodies mentioned above.

EARLIER SPECIAL TELEGRAMS.

(From Our Own Correspondents.)

A STRAITS SENSATION.

Singapore, April 13.

Mr. Evans, a planter, of Chang Kat Kending estate, who had been to Ipoh to cash a cheque for \$600 for the wages of some Chinese, has been arrested.

News in To-day's New Advertisements.

The Mexico Maru having arrived from Japan, consignees should consult the notice on Page 5.

The meeting of ex-Service men, convened by H.E. the General Officer Commanding, to discuss the desirability of forming an ex-Service organisation in Hongkong, takes place in the R.A. Theatre, Victoria Barracks, tomorrow at 5.30 p.m.

Consignees of cargo per the s.s. Persia should consult the notice on Page 4.

Messrs. Wm. Powell, Ltd have stocks of the famous Atlas shirts.—Page 7.

To-Day's Exchange.

The closing rate of the dollar, on demand, to-day was 2s. 6½d.

The Weather.

2 p.m. Barometer:—29.91. Temperature:—77°. Humidity:—86.

Lighting-Up Time.

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EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

COAL STRIKE UNSETTLED.

London, April 13.
Mr. J. H. Thomas has announced that the transport workers and
railwaymen have unanimously decided to declare a strike at ten on
Friday night.Despite the "Triplets" decision to strike on Friday, it is still
hoped that a way out of the crisis will be found. The crux of the
dispute remains the miners' demand for a national pool of profits and
wages. The coalowners contend that this would involve a continuance
of Government control, as the owners of the richer coalfields would
not voluntarily give up their profits in order to make good the losses
of owners of poorer mines; and the national pool would impair
efficiency by encouraging bad management and discouraging good.
The Government adopted both of these arguments. The miners' reply
is that a pool is perfectly feasible without Government control. If the
richer owners are willing to make sacrifices for the benefit of the
poorer, they declare the miners are willing to make a corresponding
sacrifice, and pooling would cure bad management because the
efficient districts would insist on better management in the less
efficient.The Government announce that in the event of a threatened ex-
tension of stoppage of work the Government will use the fullest
power of the State to protect workers who remain at work in any
services essential to the life of the community. In any settlement
which may be reached the Government will give support in securing
that the position of such workers will not be prejudiced compared
with their position prior to the stoppage.

THE YAP DISPUTE.

Paris, April 13.
The "Echo de Paris" states that the French Government's pro-
visional reply to the American note on April 4th with regard to the
island of Yap declares that the note necessitates a collective reply
from the Powers interested. When this reply is deliberated by the
Supreme Council France will give the United States every possible
satisfaction consonant with the convention concluded with Japan in
March, 1917. France will give Japan friendly advice and seek direct
agreement with the United States. The French Government recog-
nises the claim of the United States to participate in the benefits of
the common victory.

BRITAIN'S EDUCATION SYSTEM.

London, April 13.
In the House of Commons, in introducing the education estimates
of £51,000,000 compared with £46,000,000 for last year, Mr. Fisher,
President of the Board of Education, pointed out that the number of
scholars in secondary schools had increased fifty per cent. in four
years and declared that Britain's education system was now one of
the most liberal in the world.

LANCASHIRE COTTON TRADE.

London, April 13.
Speeches at a meeting of Lancashire Commoners indicated a
revival in the cotton trade. The future is so hopeful that it was
unnecessary to proceed with the unemployment schemes recently
drawn up.

JAPAN AND TURKEY.

London, April 13.
Sadarsuchi Uchida, formerly Japanese Minister to Stockholm,
has left Marseilles for Constantinople to become the first Japanese
Ambassador to Turkey. It is reported that Japan intends to conclude
a commercial treaty with the Turkish Government.

IN THE LEAGUE—WITH PRECAUTIONS.

Melbourne, April 13.
In the Senate, Senator Millen, Federal Minister for Repatriation,
dealing with the results of his recent mission to Europe, and referring
to the work of the League Assembly at Geneva, declared that full and
cordial Japan-Australian co-operation would always be difficult as
long as the racial equality question was unsettled. He believed in
the League but appealed to Australians to work to strengthen the
ideals of the League, whilst not neglecting prudent precautions.

LOWER WAGES.

New York, April 13.
The American Smelting and Refining Company is reducing
salaries and wages by 20 per cent. and by 30 to 40 per cent. respec-
tively from 1st June, including the President, Mr. Guggenheim's.

MORE PRICE REDUCTIONS.

New York, April 13.
Substantial reductions are announced in the Steel Corporation's
products.THE LATE MR. J. G.
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Funeral Yesterday.

The funeral of the late Mr. John
Graham Gray, of Messrs. Snowman
and Company, whose death has
already been reported, took place
at Happy Valley yesterday after-
noon. The procession was formed at
the Monument, and included in the
cortege were a number of brokers and
the captains and officers of ships
in harbour, as well as the staff of
deceased's firm. The chief mour-
ners were Mr. R. Matheson (of
Canton), deceased's brother-in-law,
and Mr. C. Edgumbe, partner of
Messrs. Snowman and Co. Among
others present were Messrs. R. M.
Dyer, W. Budget, W. Skinner, W.
E. L. Shenton, A. H. Crew,
H. W. Lucas, S. J. Syrett, A. J.
Stevenson, F. Smyth, D. K. Blair,
Captain Glover, Captain Bygate,
Captain W. C. Bird and
Captain E. Jones, Messrs. W.
Forbes, P. M. Crawford, H. A.
Lammert, B. Griffiths, E. L. Hossie,
H. M. Nemazee, H. A. Taylor, T.
H. G. Brayfield, W. F. Stevens, J.
H. Scott, D. L. W. Williams, D.
Logan, G. H. Elliott, A. Worsoe,
H. Dreyer, S. Berg, H. K. Morton,
T. H. Fox and Dr. E. A. Jay.The body was interred at the Pro-
testant Cemetery, the service being
performed by the Rev. J. Holman.A wealth of beautiful wreaths
were deposited on the graveside, in-
cluding those from the following:
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the Institution of Engineers and
Shipbuilders of Hongkong, Messrs.
Moller and Co. (Hongkong) Ltd.,
Messrs. J. Ullman and Co., Messrs.
Thorsen and Co., Messrs. Goddard
and Douglas, Messrs. Lowe, Bing-
ham and Matthews, Mr. and Mrs.
C. Edgumbe, Mr. A. W. Snowman,
Mr. R. M. Dyer, Mr. and Mrs. H.
W. Worsoe, Mr. J. S. Agassiz, Mr.
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SCHOOL SPORTS.

Ying Wa College.

The Annual Athletic Sports of the
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day afternoon. In spite of dull
weather at the start and a rather
slippery track, the meeting was
carried through quite successfully.
A large number of parents and
friends of the school were present,
and all the races were keenly con-
tested. In three races records were
made for the school, namely, the
senior hundred yards which was
won by Ng Wai Tak in 11 secs.,
the senior quarter mile which was
won in 60.4/5 secs. by Fung Yu Kan,
and the junior high jump which
was won by Chung Fook Sing
with a jump of 4 ft. 8 in.
Good times were made in several
other races.At the conclusion of the sports
the prizes were distributed by Mr.
Wan. The Headmaster (Mr.
A. Hughes) first expressed his
thanks to the many friends
who had contributed to the
Prize Fund, and to Mr. Macpherson
for his assistance as Starter. A
bouquet was presented to Mrs. Wan
and Mr. Wan Lu Shing, in a few
words, congratulated the school on
the successful sports and on the
records which had been made that
afternoon, and expressed the hope
that some of the winners would be
successful in the Hongkong School
Sports next week.The results follow:
Long Jump (Senior).—1, Ng
Wai Tak; 2, Fung Yu Kan; 3, Ng
Wai Keung. Distance, 17 ft. 10½
ins.Long Jump (Junior).—1, Chung
Fook Sing; 2, Wong Shu Cheong;
3, Ho King. Distance, 15 ft. 7 ins.100 yards (Senior).—1, Ng Wai
Tak; 2, Fung Yu Kan; 3, Yung Kai
Yan. Time, 11 secs.

100 yds. (Junior).—1, Ho King;

2, Chung Tak Shing; 3, Wong Shu
Cheong. Time, 12 4/5 secs.100 yds. (Small boys).—1, Li
Kwan Tong; 2, Woo Ka Min; 3, Yu
Chu Fuk To. Time, 14 secs.High Jump (Senior).—1, Yeung
Koon Cheuk; 2, Ng Wai Kuen; 3,
Ng Wai Kung. Height, 4 ft. 9 ins.High Jump (Junior).—1, Chung
Fook Sing; 2, Ho King; 3, Yu
Shu Kwong. Height, 4 ft. 8 ins.High Jump (Small boys).—1,
Woo Ka Min; 2, Mui Tung San; 3,
Chu Fuk To. Height, 3 ft. 11 ins.220 yds. (Senior).—1, Fung Yu
Kan; 2, Ng Wai Tak; 3, Yung
Kai Yan. Time, 26 secs.220 yds. (Junior).—1, Chung
Fook Sing; 2, Wong Shu Cheong;
3, Ho King; 4, Tam Yat Kuen.
Time, 26 secs.220 yds. (Small boys).—1, Mui
Tung San; 2, Li Kwan Tong; 3,
Woo Ka Min; 4, Chu Fook To.
Time, 32 4/5 secs.Three legged Race.—1, Ng Wai
Kuen and Chan Kwai Sang; 2, Ho
Wai and Ho King; 3, Wong Fai
Sheung and Chan Tong Hing.
Time, 15 4/5 secs.300 yds. (Handicap).—1, Tam
Yat Kuen; 2, Li Kwan Tong; 3,
Chu Fook To. Time, 36 1/5 secs.¼ mile (Senior).—1, Fung Yu
Kan; 2, Ng Wai Tak; 3, Ma Chiu
Kin. Time, 60 4/5 secs.¼ mile (Junior).—1, Wong Shu
Cheong; 2, Chung Fook Sing; 3,
Tam Yat Kuen. Time, 64½ secs.50 yds. Race (Children under
4 ft. 4 ins.).—1, Wong Sik Cheong;
2, Hung Cham Chau; 3, Kwan Tat
Ki. Time, 8 3/5 secs.½ mile (Senior).—1, Yung Kai
Yan; 2, Wong Po Sum; 3, Ip Twin
Shing. Time, 2 mins. 37 2/5 secs.½ mile (Junior).—1, Wong Shu
Cheong; 2, Seun Kam Shun; 3,
Chung Fook Sing. Time, 2 mins.
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One mile Bicycle Race (Handi-

cap).—1, Ho Wai; 2, Ho King.

Mathematical Race (Senior).—
1, Wong Man Kwong; 2, Yung Kai
Yan.Mathematical Race (Junior).—
1, Tam Kung Mong; 2, Chan Yu
Wa; 3, Mui Tung Shan.Ladies' Nomination Race.—1,
Fung Yu Kan and lady; 2, Yung
Kai Yin and lady; 3, Yung Kai
Yan and lady.Consolation Races.—Senior,
Wong Chou Wun; Junior, Lam
Tak Ming; Small boys, Chan Fung
Chi.220 yds. Old Boys' Race.—1, Lau
Hung Chit; 2, Sun In Ping; 3,
Lam Wing Hin. Time, 26½ secs.

Team Race.—1, Class 2.

Teachers' Race.—1, Mr. Lo Kan
Uen; 2, Mr. Wong Fai Kwong; 3,
Mr. A. Hughes.Senior Championship.—Ng Wai
Tak and Fung Yu Kan tied with
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THE CONDITION OF EUROPE.

Impeachment of Allied Statesmanship.

Professor Alfred E. Zimmern, has a remarkable article on "The Condition of Europe" in the *Welsh Outlook*.

He says that the present condition of Europe is due firstly to the character and length of the war, and secondly, to action taken or not taken by Allied statesmen since the Armistice.

"By the end of Armistice week Britain had forgotten her continental responsibilities, abdicated her moral leadership, and plunged herself into trivial domestic controversy. The Premier had made his first Coalition electoral speech," says Prof. Zimmern.

"The General Election of 1918 in which, with rare exceptions, the defeated bore themselves with as little dignity as the victors, stands out the further one moves away from it, as a milestone in European history. It will take Britain a generation to live it down. It is a monument to the political slow-wittedness of the British people and to the political unscrupulousness of the Tammany Bosses and the Hearst Press (I use these American parallels advisedly,) who between them dragged a weak Government and an unimaginative electorate through the mud. It was the direct cause of the policy pursued during the succeeding months at Paris, which aggravated instead of relieving sickness of Europe, and made of 1919, the looked for year of hope, perhaps the blackest year in European history.

FOUR CHARGES.

"Four charges in particular can be brought against the Allied statesmen. (1) They did not make peace. Instead they sat for months drawing up Treaties, the last of which is not even yet ratified, so that, twenty-five months after the armistice, the official end of the war is still eluding us on the horizon. Had the procedure of 1814 or of 1871 been followed, peace preliminaries would have been concluded between the five enemy States and the Allies, as could have been done in weeks rather than in months (in 1814 it took five weeks), leaving the voluminous details to be settled at leisure after commercial relations and normal intercourse had been resumed. With incredible folly the Allies and especially Britain, demobilised their armies, whilst remaining at war with their enemies. The present situation in Armenia, Greece, and throughout the Middle East is the result.

PROBLEMS IGNORED.

"(2) The Allies ignored the problems presented by the economic prostration of Europe, the interrelated economic organisation built up during the war, which could have been turned into an agency of relief, was dismantled. The result was chaos. Out of chaos, after much wrangling, there emerged—eharity on the one side and mendicancy and pauperism on the other. It is too late now to hope for international or governmental measures on any large scale, to restore Europe to productivity. We are thrown back upon soup kitchen methods (which the Germans, incidentally, are not slow to use for the purpose of sowing dissension between the Allies), and upon the inflow of private capital. Europe is in the condition of an undeveloped area calling out for foreign commissioners. If Vienna or Riga, or Sofia, or Moscow, cannot afford to buy their own raw materials they must look for so them and set their machinery running and their demoralised labourers working. But the political consequences of this turn of events are incalculable. The sovereignty of States in a position of such obvious dependence, may or may not entitle them to membership of the League of Nations. It does not make them independent agents in the world's life and activities.

FATUOUS ECONOMIC CLAUSES.

"(3) The economic clauses of the Treaties themselves, especially those of Versailles and St. Germain, are fatuous. In particular the delay in fixing the precise amount payable by Germany as war indemnity or (as I prefer to say) reparation, has been terribly and unnecessarily crippling. Moreover—and here again British statesmanship must bear the chief blame—the indemnity clauses involve a flagrant breach of the definition of reparation, laid down in the Pre-Armistice Agreement of November 5th, 1918, on the strength of which the Germans laid down their arms. British statesmanship has been re-

sponsible for the commission, at the close of the war, of a violation of international right, as plain and as flagrant as that committed by German statesmanship, at its inception, in the violation of Belgian neutrality.

"The Belgian Treaty was made in 1839 and broken in 1914. The Pre-Armistice Agreement was made on November 5th, 1918; the British Premier pledged himself to its violation in speeches less than a month later he redeemed his pledge in a Treaty signed on June 28th, 1919, and ratified in the succeeding weeks by overwhelming majorities in the British and Dominion Parliaments. These are now palatable facts. They have, therefore, never been made clear to the British people at home and overseas. But they remain facts. Those who seek further details will find them in the careful analysis of the terms of the Pre-Armistice Convention and of the Treaty of Versailles in the volumes recently published by the Institute of International Affairs. (4) British economic policy since the Armistice has been far from generous more especially towards Allies who have suffered more severely from the war than ourselves. In particular, our action in extracting monopoly profits out of the export of our coal, which was, second to credit, the most indispensable factor in the restoration of European productivity, has been shortsighted to the verge of criminality, as every recent traveller in Allied lands can testify.

"Such being the spirit and methods of Allied statesmanship, it is not surprising that Europe has been plunged, during the last two years, into a vortex of petty intrigue, accompanied by a universal mood of lassitude and disillusion. Recovery will be slow, for things being what they are, it will come from the peoples, from the activity of individuals and groups, rather than from governments. But two encouraging tendencies can be mentioned at the conclusion of this necessarily disheartening survey. Thanks to the wise and self-respecting statesmanship of President Masaryk and M. Benes Czechoslovakia has drawn together some of the ex-Hapsburg countries—notably Jugoslavia and Roumania into the so-called Little Entente, for mutual protection and co-operation. This marks a turning away from dependence on Paris and London to a mood of self-dependence. Czechoslovakia and Jugoslavia, as their exchanges testify, are finding their feet, and should lend support and stability to others. A similar influence will be increasingly exerted by the peasant parties and groups whom the chances of the blockade (which altered the economic balance between town and country) have everywhere brought in to fresh power and prominence.

"Whatever Lenin may have hoped, Europe is being painted, in these post-war years, not red but green. Her towns are diminishing, but her peasants have become more opulent, not only paying off their mortgages, but acquiring their own properties. From France to Russia, from Sicily to the Baltic Provinces this movement is in evidence; and despite the inevitable reaction and clericalism that it involves, it is one of the strongest sources of hope to those who believe that, in her present state of prostration, Europe's two greatest needs are, first stability, and then a revaluation of values and a return to simpler and more genuine ways of living."

GENERAL NEWS.

EXPLOSION IN MILAN THEATRE.

An explosion at the Diana theatre in Milan is believed by the police to be a protest against Malatesta's imprisonment. Enrico Malatesta is in prison on the charge of having instigated the bombing of the Hotel Cavour in Milan in 1919.

UNIVERSITY MEN IN THE EAST.

University men in Shanghai held their annual dinner at the Club the other night. Mr. D. McNeill occupied the chair and Admiral G. H. Borrett was the guest of honour. The Very Rev. Dean Symonds spoke of the desirability of union between Oxford and Cambridge men throughout China.

PROHIBITION IN U.S.

The nation will settle down in the next year or two, according to Attorney General Daugherty, to a more complete observance of the prohibition laws, and there will be less bootlegging. The Attorney-General said the prohibition enforcement at the present time is a hard job, and the depots of the District Attorneys are crowded with cases awaiting action.

CHARACTERISTICS OF SCOTS AND ENGLISH.

Impressions Of Celebrated Authoress.

Speaking on the subject of some racial differences between the Scots and English, Miss Annie S. Swan (Mrs Burnett Smith) delivered an address to the Young Scots Society in the Y.M.C.A. Hall, St Andrew Square, Edinburgh.

When one found an Englishman with the Scottish doggedness of character, said the speaker, it was a far more dangerous quality than when it was found in a Scotsman, because in the English it was accompanied with a grace and charm, with a pleasant way of covering over disagreeable truths while uttering them—a quality the Scots sadly lacked.

The Englishman would have his games, and his leisure time off; and that was one of the reasons why Scotsmen succeeded so well in England, because they were great sloggers at their jobs. Perhaps this referred more to the past than made Scotland great; and the only cure for their present ills was to take a page out of that old history. Until the joy of the cunning workman was restored to labour—by hand or brain they would never be able to keep and hold their place among the nations and repair the waste of war.

Poverty in Scotland had always been very much more dignified than she had found it in England. It was informed by a finer intelligence, and although people were poor in Scotland, the love of education for its own sake was very marked, and the absence of it was more noted in England than anywhere else. The English scored over the Scots by being more tactful and more agreeable. It was not insincerity, but a natural kindness and courtesy.

Speaking of the impression of Scottish meanness, she said the Scots were more careful in spending small sums of money, but that was just because they had always been a small and poor country. Scotsmen, however, were liberal in big things. They were not so niggardly in the handling of big sums of money as of small ones.

CHUCKLES.

In these days of by-election I like the story of a member for a Scottish constituency, where, to his dismay, stories circulated that he was becoming strongly addicted to "tasting," writes "Beachcomber" in the *Daily Express*. On going down to refute these libels he was surprised to be met at the station by a band and cheering crowds. The chief of his supporters came forward and grasped him warmly by the hand. "I've come," explained the gratified M.P., "chiefly to deny this calumny about my drinking." "Whence! Not a word of that," exclaimed the other. "It's made ye the maist popular man in the town."

An elderly lady of very prim and severe aspect was seated next a young couple, who were discussing the merits of their motor cars. She began to "listen in" to the talk at the point where the young man asked of the girl: "What colour is your body?" "Oh, mine is pink. What is yours?" "Mine," replied the man, "is brown with wide yellow stripes." This was too much for the old lady. Rising from the table, she exclaimed to her hostess—"I really must be excused. When young people come to asking each other the colour of their bodies at a dinner party it is time I left the room."

George Robey is responsible for the following story:—

"Travelling in the train the other day, on my way to a well-known golf course, I naturally had my bag of clubs with me. Opposite was seated a venerable old lady who eyed me with disapproval. Feeling sure that she wished to engage me in conversation, I soon gave her the opportunity.

"I am sorry, my good man," she said, "to observe that you indulge in that immoral game of golf."

"Immoral? I replied in astonishment. "Yes, immoral!" repeated the old soul. "I know it is immoral, for I heard a gentleman, only last week, in this very train say that he had won his game entirely by good lies."

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SCIENTISTS' HUNT FOR A PARASITE.

British Expedition For The Tropics.

A scientific expedition from the London School of Tropical Medicine is about to start for the West Indies, at the request of the Colonial Office. Its object is to investigate the parasite worm which is believed to come from elephants and other diseases.

"It is expected that the expedition will consist of six members, including five doctors, one of whom is a Chinese and another an Egyptian," said Dr. Leiper, the leader of the expedition.

"The headquarters of the expedition will be Georgetown, British Guiana, and visits will be made to West Indian Islands to compare local conditions.

"There are two methods of combating the diseases in question, one of which—endeavouring to destroy the parasite itself by means of drugs—I am not hopeful of. The second is to find the mosquito which transmits the parasite, and take measures accordingly.

"To discover this we shall probably have to place a patient suffering from elephantiasis, or some other disease of the same group, in a room wherein numbers of mosquitoes are let loose. After they have bitten the patient we shall have to sort them out and endeavour to discover which species it is that transmits the worm, for it is that all of them do not.

Mr. Leiper, who is head of the department of Hemithology at the London School of Tropical Medicine, has been engaged there on research work for the past 16 years. During the war he went to Egypt, for the Army, and traced the spread of two diseases to freshwater snails, which acted as "carrier."

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NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

NOTICE.

The General Officer Commanding wishes to remind all Britons who served in the War, and who are now in Civil life in Hongkong that his meeting will take place to-morrow at 5.30 p.m., in the ROYAL ARTILLERY THEATRE, VICTORIA BARRACKS.

The subject for discussion will be:—

1. The desirability of forming an ex-service organization in Hongkong.
2. "The British Legion", which is the provisional title of the Unity Movement.
3. Appointment of a Committee to give effect to any resolution that may be passed.

DOG, CAT, POULTRY, AND BIRD SHOW, 1921.

By kind permission of the Jockey Club, a Show will be held at the Race Course, Happy Valley, on Saturday, 30th April.

There will be classes for all breeds, types etc. of the above, provided there are sufficient entries.

Entrance fees for Dogs \$2.00, Cats \$1.00. Poultry and Pigeons 30 cents per pen. Cage birds, canaries, parrots etc. 30 cents each or avaries \$1.00. Exhibitors of pigeons and cage birds must find their own cages.

Entrance forms for the Show can be had from the undersigned and must be sent in, together with the fee, not later than SATURDAY, 23rd April.

Intending exhibitors are requested to send in their entries as soon as possible in order to allow sufficient time to make up classes and arrange for the necessary accommodation.

B. L. FROST,

Hon. Secretary.

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No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 20th inst. will be subject to rent.

All claims against the steamer must be presented to the Under-signed on or before the 29th inst. or they will not be recognized.

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NOTICE is hereby given that an Extraordinary General Meeting of Members will be held in the Pavilion of the Club on Thursday the 14th of April 1921 at 5.30 p.m. for the purpose of submitting the following resolutions.

1. That the present Hongkong Cricket Club be wound up, and the committee be authorised to take all necessary steps for that purpose.

2. That the committee be authorised to register a Company Limited by guarantee not exceeding \$100 per member, on the terms of the Memorandum and Articles of Association, which will be submitted to the meeting.

3. That the committee be authorised to assign and hand over to the new Company, when registered, all the assets of the Club.

Should the proposed resolutions be passed at this meeting a subsequent confirmatory meeting will be called.

Copies of the proposed Memorandum and Articles of Association may be seen by members at the Pavilion.

By order of the Committee
L. S. GREENHILL,
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No Claims will be recognized after the goods have left the Godowns, and cargo undelivered on and after 18th inst. will be subject to rent.

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All claims must be presented Fifteen days of the steamer's arrival here, after which date they cannot be recognized.

No Claims will be admitted after the goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 16th inst. will be subject to rent.

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Damaged packages must be left in the Godowns for examination by the Consignees' representative and the Company's Surveyors, Messrs. Goddard and Douglas, at 10 a.m. on Wednesday and Saturday. All claims must be presented within Ten days of the steamer's arrival here, after which date they cannot be recognized. No claim will be admitted after the goods have left the Godowns.

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OSAKA SHOSHEN KAISHA,
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Hongkong, 13th April, 1921.

AN AMERICA CUP SUGGESTION.

Race in American and British Waters.

The suggestion is made that it would not be a bad idea to hold the races for the America Cup alternately here and in United States waters. It would certainly (remarks a correspondent of the *Glasgow Herald*) give a much-needed fillip to international yachting if such an arrangement were agreed to, and hopes are expressed in several quarters that it very soon will be.

So far only one successful defender—the Vigilant—has been seen in British waters, and her indifferent performances seemed to support the argument that it was a great advantage to a competitor not to be under obligation to build a vessel for Atlantic weather. It is an advantage—provided it is an advantage—which Americans may not be willing to give up.

But beyond it Transatlantic yachtsmen would lose nothing by agreeing to race here in alternate years. The cup was won here originally. Moreover, America has twice won the British International Trophy for fast motor boats on this side—once in Southampton Water and once in Osborne Bay.

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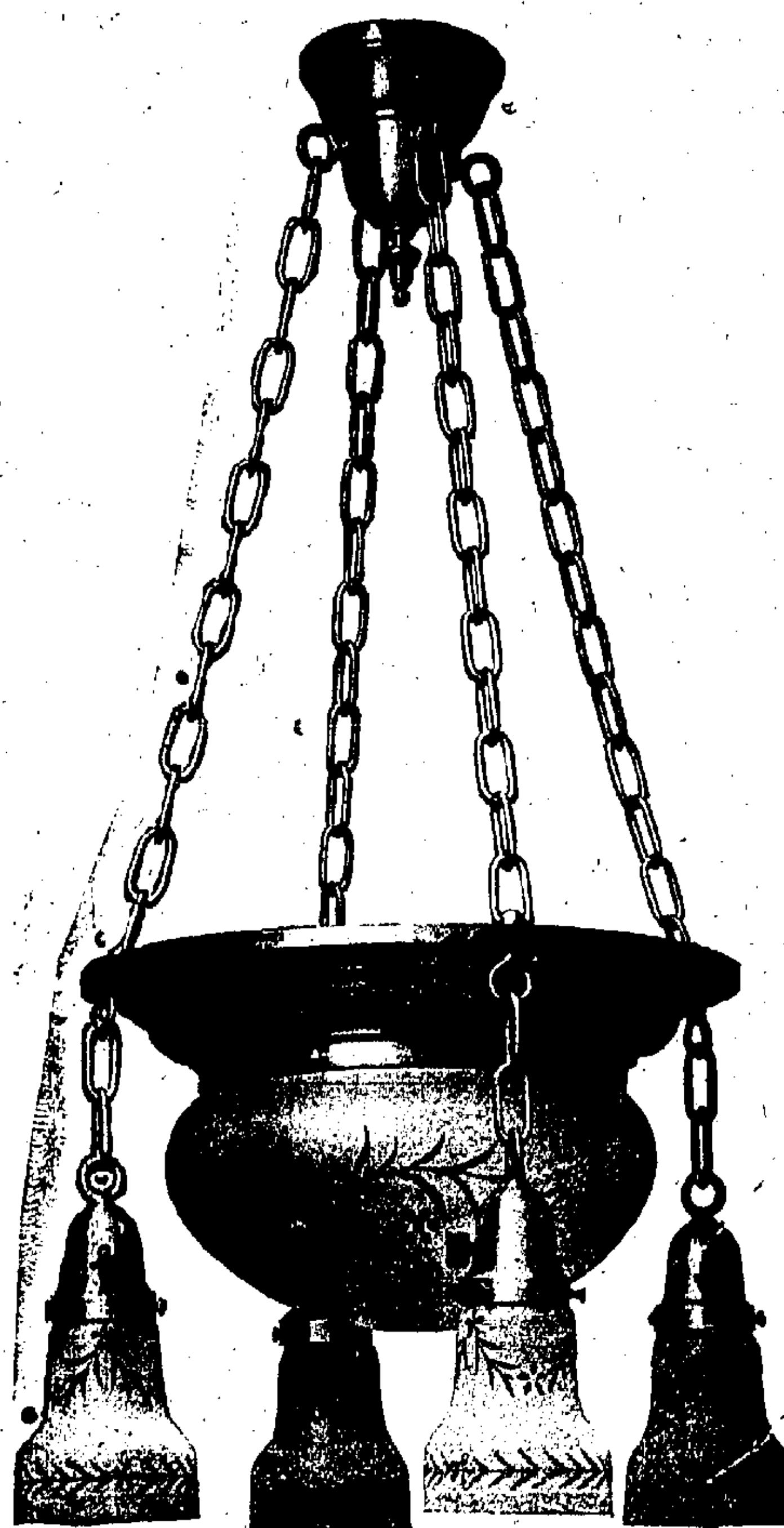
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Lord Buckmaster's Accusation.

Lord Buckmaster, ex-Lord Chancellor, presiding at a Peace with Ireland Council meeting, said the evidence proved that robbery, arson, murder, and violence had been committed by representatives of the British Government.

Reading from the *Weekly Summary* issued by the Government to the R. I. C., Lord Buckmaster said that the forces were instructed.

"That in the event of one member of his Majesty's forces being killed two members of the

Sinn Fein Council in Cork would be killed, and were they not available three sympathisers would be killed. That in the event of one member of the forces being wounded or an attempt made, one member of the Sinn Fein Party would be killed or if one member was not available two sympathisers would be killed."

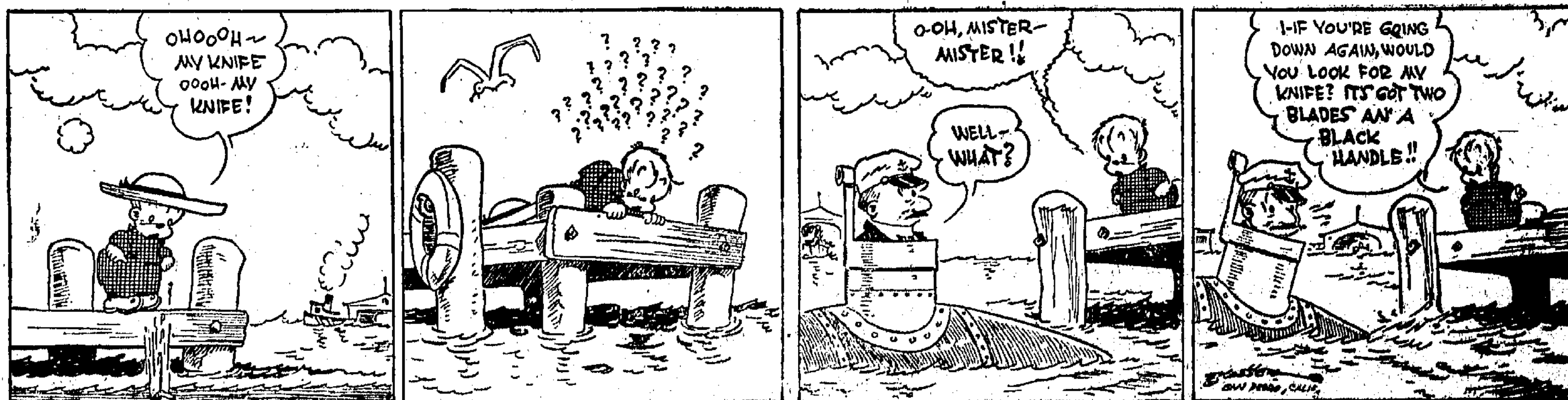
"We are not, nor do we claim to be, imitation Gladstones, as Mr. Lloyd George sarcastically described us the other day," Lord Buckmaster added, "but if we were we would light such a flame in England which would not be put out until it had consumed this Government and the

evil which it has done." Mrs. Philip Snowden and Lady (Mark) Sykes, who have recently visited Ireland, also spoke, and Lady Sykes said she went to Ireland hoping to find that the accounts she had heard were exaggerated, but returned horrified at what she had witnessed. No crime of bloodshed committed by the Irish could excuse the methods now being employed by the Government in the attempt to enforce obedience to English rule and to break the national spirit of the Irish people. A resolution was carried calling upon the Government to take immediate steps to establish peace.

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HONGKONG, THURSDAY, APRIL 14, 1921.

ONE LEAGUE OR TWO?

The report Reuter gave us yesterday that President Harding has definitely turned his back on the present League of Nations must have caused little or no surprise to those who have followed that statesman's recent utterances. The Republican party has been averse to the League ever since President Wilson returned to Washington from the Paris Conference and very undiplomatically tried to force a Treaty and League Covenant on his fellow-countrymen without giving them the opportunity to discuss it. And now, it would seem, America will regain her status of being at peace with Germany by means of a resolution in Congress—a procedure to which President Harding agrees, but which ex-President Wilson stoutly maintained was unconstitutional. Just in what manner America gains that peace status concerns only American politicians, but the rejection of the League of Nations (which is described as being a "military alliance") is a matter of grave concern to the Allies and to international diplomacy.

The American view of the League makes interesting study. President Harding declares that the highest purpose of the League was defeated by linking it to the Treaty of Peace, such linking making it but an enforcing agency in the hands of the victors in the war. Surely, that was not the spirit in which the League was conceived and established, as a perusal of its lengthy Covenant will reveal! It may have been an unfortunate coincidence (we don't agree that it was), but it was just that and nothing more. We honestly believe that the League of Nations was born out of a genuine desire to control international differences, and the fact that it has been subscribed to by so many nations and that its Committees have earnestly set to work to establish a just international machinery greatly strengthens that opinion. Admittedly, there are faults in it; it would have been miraculous if in so short a space of time perfection had been reached. Admittedly, it has not accomplished so very much, but it has accomplished something. And its organization could easily have been made the nucleus of that better and revised authority that even Americans desire to see established. President Harding admits that it is impossible to ignore settlements already effected; that America must place no difficulty in the way of effecting, with just reparations, that restoration for which all Europe yearns; that America's part in the readjustment and restoration cannot be ignored; and that the United States are ready to co-operate with other nations to eliminate the "heavy burden of armaments." Yet, in the same breath, he tells the Allies and those other countries in the League with them, that they have all gone on the wrong path and that their Covenant (designed to bring about the very things he himself desires) is but a military alliance.

We are not optimistic as to the cordiality with which the American proposed "covenant of relationships" will be greeted. Americans, says the President, in no wise surrender their aim for an association to promote peace and, with the definite rejection of the League of Nations, may proceed to negotiate for the establishment of some other body. Will the Allies withdraw from the League and join the American-inspired body? Or will there be two rival camps after the same end? That is an important query because on its answering rests the securing of unanimity or otherwise. Unless all nations are going to co-operate under one set of auspices, little good will ever be accomplished. There is only room for one organization, there cannot be room for two. We hope our American friends have realized that and have weighed the chances of the League of Nations going into voluntary liquidation in order to free its member nations to join a new organization. Frankly, we cannot see the League of Nations doing anything of the sort.

NOTES & COMMENTS.

Pity the Poor M.P.

Some household budgets of M.P.s are disclosed in a White Paper containing an account of the proceedings before a Parliamentary Committee in reference to members' expenses. Mr. D. Irving, the Socialist member for Burnley, has £150 out of his £400 a year absorbed straightaway by a railway pass, although only a third-class one. Then he has to keep two homes going—at least he must have a room in London where he can lodge, and meals have to be taken in various places, according to the exigencies of political engagements, which is a rather expensive way of dining. Bus fares, postages, and the like eat up quite a good sum, and the member for Burnley figures out that £370 of his year's salary is gone before a penny has been allowed for clothing for himself or his wife. Mr. Adamson, the ex-Leader of the Labour Party, gave the cost of his season ticket to Fife, his constituency, at over £186, so that rail travelling alone consumed nearly 50 per cent. of his salary. Hotel expenses represent £160, postages £15, and charities a like sum. Remembering also that the M.P.'s position is sometimes precarious—his tenure may last years; it may not even last months—the post is not quite such an enviable one as appears at first sight. On the basis of living costs, Mr. Adamson reckoned that the pre-war £400 was equivalent to £1,100, but suggested that the salary be doubled, with an open rail pass (The ex-Leader of the Labour Party stipulates for first-class). The Committee, deprecating a change in the amount of the salary, recommends exemption from income-tax, free first-class travel between London and the member's constituency, and free postage. This concession in regard to travel will go a long way towards removing the handicap on members for distant constituencies. It is proposed that a certain number of official envelopes shall be issued to members. There is evidently to be no revival of the abuse associated with the old days of "franking," when an M.P. could send anybody else's letters free as well as his own.

An Echo of the "Emden."

Since the ending of the war left many officers of the old German Army in the position of Othello, some of them have been at curious shifts. It was not very long after the Armistice that a body of these celebrated saboteurs complacently proposed that they should be taken into the Allied service for fighting Bolsheviks, Communists, or somebody. Among the German officers, however, were a few who commanded a certain sort of admiration. One of these was Captain von Muller, of "Emden" fame, whose exploits fill a good-sized page in the naval history of the war. He certainly gave us a run before being himself run to earth (literally) in the neighbourhood of the Cocos Islands. If the report that Capt. Muller has met his end in an affray with the plebeian police in Upper Silesia is correct, it is an indifferent termination to a somewhat dramatic career.

New Lord Chief Justice.

After all, Sir Gordon Hewart, whom his admirers had been acclaiming as the ideal Lord Chief Justice, is not to succeed Earl Reading. The appointment of Mr. Justice Lawrence will come as something of a surprise, seeing that the new head of the K.B.D. thus passes at one stride over the Lords Justices as well as over the Master of the Rolls and the President of that curious combination, the Probate, Divorce and Admiralty Division. The new Lord Chief Justice must be described as of advanced age, having been born in 1843 and called to the Bar as far back as the 'sixties.

BILLIARDS.

Palace Hotel Handicap.

Playing for the third prize at the Palace Hotel last night in the Ho Kom Tong Cup handicap, E. Guimaraes (200) beat R. Thomas (175), 250-125. The best breaks were: Guimaraes—33, 20, 26, 25, 25, 23, 19, 17, 16, 15. Thomas—21, 17, 15. Sergt. Major Stroud and A. J. Osmund play the final on Friday night, and at the conclusion of the match Mr. Ho Kom Tong will present the prizes.

DAY BY DAY.

TO SEE THINGS DIVESTED OF PASSION AND INTEREST IS TO SEE THEM WITH THE EYE OF HISTORY AND PHILOSOPHY.—Haezitt.

Yesterday's health return shows two cases of small-pox (Chinese), one of which was fatal, and two non-fatal cases of paratyphoid (one Danish, imported, and one Japanese).

At a friendly rifle shoot on the Tai Hang range, on Sunday, the Royal Engineers beat the R.N. Dockyard R.C. by 13 points. The scores were:—R.E., 829; Dockyard, 816.

Mr. Lewis, Hon. Treasurer and Secretary for the Hongkong Women's Guild and Ministering Children's League, has gratefully received a donation from the Standard Oil Co of \$50.

Messrs. Ma Ying-piu, Ng Tung-kai and 36 other Chinese merchants of Hongkong have held a meeting at the Hang Fa Lau Hotel for the purpose of organizing a farming company in Hainan, with a capital of two million dollars. They decided to form a promotion committee and intend first of all considering the improvement of Hoihow harbour.

AFTER 14 YEARS.

Charge of Forgery.

A case which had its origin some fourteen years ago, was heard at the Magistracy this morning when Mr. G. R. Haywood, on behalf of a Chinese, prosecuted his client's younger brother on a charge of forgery in respect of a certain deed of mortgage, alleged to have been drawn in 1907, a sum of \$4,000 being obtained by the defendant as the result. Compound interest at the rate of 18 per cent. was calculated by Mr. Haywood, in explaining the reason for the swelling of this amount to \$45,009.26 which formed the subject of the present charge. It is alleged that the defendant fled from the Colony after the offence and was not again seen here until recently. The case was remanded, bail for the prisoner being set at \$15,000.

THE HOUSE COLLAPSE.

One Body Recovered.

The work of clearing the mass of fallen masonry consequent on the collapse of two houses at Old Bailey early yesterday morning, was commenced at a late hour last night. Under the light of a number of Kitson lamps, gangs of workmen set about removing the debris under which several persons were known to be buried. Although continued until a late hour last night no bodies had been recovered by the time the workmen ceased their labour.

Work was resumed early this morning, and up to noon only one body—that of a Chinese female identified as a washer woman—had been extricated. This was from the ruins of house No. 9 lately in the occupation of Mr. Li Ngok-lau. Of the other unfortunate victims who lived in this house and whose remains have still to be recovered from the ruins, are a grand-daughter of Mr. Li, aged 9, the wife of his fourteenth son, aged about 20 years, another grand-child, 11 years old, and two servants, one of them a boy. By three o'clock this afternoon, the remains of two more victims were recovered, these being the grand-daughter of Mr. Li and another amah.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

To-day's Meeting.

A meeting of the Legislative Council was held in the Council Chamber to-day. His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government (Hon. Mr. Claud Severn, C.M.G.) presided and there were also present:—H.E. the General Officer Commanding, Major Gen. Sir G. M. Kirkpatrick, K.C.B. The Hon. Mr. E. D. C. Wolfe, Colonial Secretary. The Hon. Mr. J. H. Kemp, C.B.E., Attorney General. The Hon. Mr. T. L. Perkins, Director of Public Works. The Hon. Mr. C. McI. Messer, O.B.E., Colonial Treasurer. The Hon. Mr. S. C. B. Ross, O.B.E., Secretary for Chinese Affairs. The Hon. Mr. E. A. Irving, Director of Education. The Hon. Mr. H. E. Pollock, K.C. The Hon. Mr. P. H. Holyoak. The Hon. Mr. A. G. Stephen. The Hon. Mr. H. W. Bird. The Hon. Mr. Lau Chu Pak. The Hon. Mr. Ho Fook. Mr. S. B. McElderry, Clerk of Councils.

FINANCIAL VOTES.

The following votes were referred to the Finance Committee, by whom they were approved:—\$1,050 in aid of the vote Kowloon-Canton Railway, special expenditure, platform awnings. \$1,550 on account of Public Works, Extraordinary, extensions and alterations to No. 1 Motor House, Garden Road. \$5,300 in aid of the vote Miscellaneous Services, bathing places, North Point and Kennedy Toy. \$660 in aid of the vote Harbour Master's Department, personal emoluments. \$4,500 in aid of the vote Sanitary Department, other charges, launches, steam barges and lighters, repairs. \$600 on account of Public Works, Extraordinary, installation of water closets and extension of sewer in Kennedy Town Hospital. \$401 on account of Education Department, other charges, typewriters.

ENEMY PROPERTY.

The Hon. Attorney General moved the first reading of a Bill intitled An Ordinance to provide for the transference of property rights and powers to successive holders of the office of Custodian of Enemy Property. The Objects and Reasons state:—The object of this Bill is to make it clear that property, rights and powers vested in, or conferred upon, any holder of the office of Custodian pass to his successors in office. This is important for the purpose of dealing with the legal estate, particularly in the case of leasehold property.

TREATY OF PEACE.

The Hon. Attorney General moved the first reading of a Bill intitled An Ordinance to modify certain provisions of the Treaty of Peace Order, 1919, as amended by the Treaty of Peace (Amendment) Order, 1920, and by the Treaty of Peace (Amendment) (No. 2) Order, 1920, for the purpose of adapting the provisions of the Order to the circumstances of the Colony of Hongkong. The Objects and Reasons state:—The object of this Bill is to adapt to the circumstances of the Colony the amendments made in the Treaty of Peace Order, 1919, by the Treaty of Peace (Amendment) (No. 2) Order, 1920. The latter Order was published in the *London Gazette* of the 21st January, 1921, and in the *Hongkong Gazette* of 1st April, 1921. The method followed in the bill is similar to that of Ordinance No. 3 of 1920, and Ordinance No. 15 of 1920, the reference is in the second column of the schedule being to the articles of the original Order, as amended by the amendment Orders.

SUGGESTED REMOVAL OF DAIRY FARM.

The Hon. Mr. H. W. Bird gave notice of the following question:—In view of the fact that the housing problem is still acute and that the Dairy Farm Co. Ltd., hold some 210 acres of highly suitable and accessible building land on the cool side of the island, will the Government take preliminary steps to develop some spot on the mainland such as the slopes of the Shatin Valley, with a view to the ultimate removal of that Company's sheds and cattle to such spot and the resumption of the land at present in its possession?

DEATH OF MR. W. DAVISON.

Well-Known Kowloon Resident.

It is with much regret that we chronicle the death of Mr. W. Davison, Superintendent Shipwright of the Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Co., Ltd., which occurred at sea on the 12th instant. The late Mr. Davison who had been in indifferent health for some considerable time, left on March 31st by the Empress of Asia, accompanied by his wife and child and a trained nurse, his intention being to take a holiday in British Columbia. He was a very sick man when he was taken aboard the liner, being so ill that his friends were not permitted to see him. Radio telegrams to hand this morning indicate that he passed away on Tuesday, it is presumed just outside Yokohama.

The deceased gentleman, who came to the Colony over 20 years ago, joining the Kowloon Dock Company, with whom he remained, was a native of Belfast. He was one of the Company's most valued servants. He made a wide circle of friends in the Colony, being of a most genial disposition and possessed of a ready wit. He was a most enthusiastic supporter of the Kowloon Bowling Green Club, of which he was one of the original members, and was a past President of that body. He was also a keen Volunteer, belonging to the Reserves. On occasions of public functions when decorations were required, Mr. Davison was always a ready and willing helper, and in this connection, although himself an Irishman, he rendered valued services in connection with the St. Andrew's Day fairs and other war-time celebrations. He will be greatly missed by a host of friends, whose sympathy will go out to the widow and child as well as deceased's relatives in the Old Country. The late Mr. Davison was about 48 years of age.

THE "CHEKIANG".

Did Not Go Ashore.

In regard to the mishap to the s.s. Chekiang, Messrs. Butterfield and Swire inform us that the vessel did not go ashore. The facts are that the Chekiang lost her propeller and anchored off Taichau Islands until a North bound steamer took her in tow. The Indo-China S.N. Co's Choysang (Captain Walker) kindly stood by meanwhile.

Between Ourselves

By Robt. MacWhirter.

Newspaper men and advertisers should watch the womenfolk reading the papers of a morning. It would do some of you high-faluting editors good to see what contumely their darling word-juggling efforts and solemn warnings are treated by our wives, sisters and sweethearts.

As soon as I get my eyelids pried open, my hand automatically reaches out for the paper and if it's no' there—well, then a mild revolution's in the making in my bed first thing in the day, but Janet doesn't believe in attacking the *Morning Po* without first being fortified wi' her wee cuppie. Myself I dinna' like balancing a tea cup sitting up on my elbow first thing at break o' day.

I just watched her wi' the tail o' my eye the other morning. Did she open the paper right away in the centre and read about the Miners playing up Merry Harry at home the now? Did she read the leading and learned editorial on the present financial position of the Peruvian Government? She did not. She took to pecking all over the paper like an overfed and indifferent hen. I can eye tell what she reads for the simple reason that she always recites aloud that which interests her most. The bit about invitations from Government House account King's Birthday was her first set away. Had I dropped cards there? I said no' but I would see if the Governor was on yon Calling League list issued by Kelly and Walsh. But that would cost a dollar, said she. True, but it's no' nearly so sore on the feet, beside encouraging printers, says I. Next she had a go at the Wanted Ads. and desired information regarding a Pointer Dog that had been shot over one or two days.

She was asking me about the Yap question and I had just explained that it and a Note from Washington meant the same thing when the chap next door started to sing in his bath. Between you and me, when the son of a gun starts his sol-fa exercises, reading's out of the question altogether. I'll have a word wi' him one of these days.

LAWN TENNIS.

H.K.C.C. Tournament.

Last night's contests in the above tournament were as follows:—

Open Doubles Championship:—Wong Po-keung and V. Yvanovich beat J. B. Penman and A. D. Humphreys, 9-7, 6-4, 6-0.

Club Championship:—L. Forster beat A. B. Raworth 4-6, 3-6, 6-0, 6-3, 6-1.

Handicap Singles "B":—Lieut. C. H. Larkcom beat H. V. Dawson, 6-1, 8-6.

Mixed Doubles Handicap:—Major H. G. and Mrs. Bagnall beat Major H. Greenaway and Miss Burdett, 6-0, 6-0.

Tuesday's Results.

Handicap Singles "A":—T. H. King beat Surg. Lt. Comdr. Hayes, 1-6, 6-4, 6-3; G. W. Sewell beat Capt. P. H. Davies, 6-3, 8-6.

Handicap Singles "B":—W. B. Cornaby beat C. Blaker, 6-1, 6-4.

Men's Handicap Doubles:—J. R. Wood and G. R. Sayer beat D. J. Valentine and R. K. Valentine, 6-2, 6-4.

Coming Matches.

To-day. Club Championship:—Major C. Willson v. G. W. Sewell.

Mixed Doubles Handicap:—Lt. Col. Nicholson and Mrs. Gompertz v. Lieut. Col. F. J. Bowen and Miss V. Bowen.

Friday.

Open Doubles Championship:—R. Hancock and H. Hancock v. Wong Po-keung and V. Yvanovich.

Open Singles Championship:—J. B. Penman v. M. K. Lo.

Men's Handicap Doubles:—J. R. Wood and G. R. Sayer v. J. Miskin and E. G. Grimble.

Club Championship:—Capt. P. Havelock Davies v. A. D. Humphreys.

CANTON NEWS.

The Telegraph Office is said to have been ordered not to deliver any telegrams expressing disapproval of the Presidential election.

Dr. Sun Yat-sen has notified the headquarters of the Kuomintang and all branches thereof that all members must renew their oaths and again pay their fees.

A Mr. Tang, from the F.M.S., has applied for permission to develop the Paracel Islands, with a capital of \$500,000. It is said that he intends laying down rubber plantations.

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FRENCH COLONIAL DEVELOPMENT.

(Continued from Page 1.)

An Extensive Programme.

(Reader's Service.)

Paris, April 14.
The Government has presented a Bill to the Chamber of Deputies embodying a most comprehensive programme of Colonial development. It involves the overhauling of the transport systems, sanitation, education, and irrigation. The most important projects include a West African harbour extension at Dakar, completion of the Thiess railway, irrigation works in the Niger Valley, the construction of a railway from Brazzaville to the Atlantic coast, the reconstruction of the Central Cameroons line, with extensions to Yaounde and other points, the erection of big harbour works at Saigon-et-Cholon, Haiphong, Tourane and Quan-che-wan, the completion of the Vinhlong railway, the continuation of the trans-Indo-Chinese line from Tourane to Saigon, harbour works at Madagascar, and the construction of works at Jibuti to render it suitable as a port of call.

SENATOR KNOX INTRODUCES HIS PEACE RESOLUTION.

Washington, April 13.
In the Senate, Mr. Knox introduced his peace resolution. It contained a clause reserving American rights under the Treaty of Versailles. The resolution was referred to the Foreign Relations Committee.

SENATOR BORAH AGAIN ATTEMPTS NAVAL REDUCTION.

Washington, April 13.
Senator Borah introduced in the Senate a resolution authorising the President to open negotiations with Britain and Japan as regards a reduction in naval construction.

HIGH POSTHUMOUS HONOUR FOR "SAVIOR OF PARIS."

Paris, April 13.
General Gallieni, the saviour of Paris in 1914, has been posthumously promoted Marshal of France.

TO-DAY'S CHINESE TELEGRAMS.

Peking, April 13.
The Government has wired to all the Chinese Ministers in foreign countries to the effect that the Presidential election in Canton is illegal.
Lum Fu, the representative of Luk Wing-ling, after calling on all the Tachuns in the Yangtze Valley, has arrived in Peking.
It is reported that a secret envoy from the Living Buddha is on his way to Peking.
The State Department holds an indifferent attitude in reply to the telegrams from the provincial authorities in regard to the Presidential election in Canton.
The Spanish Minister died on the 11th instant.

MAGAZINE GAP ROAD.

Reply to Mr. Pollock.

At the meeting of the Legislative Council held to-day, the Hon. Mr. H. E. Pollock, asked the following questions:

"In view of the fact that additional taxation is being imposed on all the inhabitants of the Colony in an unsuccessful endeavour to balance the Budget for the Current Year, 1921, will the Government take a Referendum of Magazine Gap and Peak Residents with a view to ascertain whether it is the wish of the majority of such Residents that a Motor Road should be made from Magazine Gap to the Peak? If not, why not?"

"What is the estimated cost of making such Motor Road, and when was such estimate obtained?"

Reply.

The Hon. Colonial Secretary replied as follows:—

The Government is not prepared to take such a referendum as is suggested, because the construction of the road has been approved by the Legislative Council. The road will be of the greatest value not only as a means of access to all parts of the Peak eventually by motor vehicles but also it will reduce the cost of carriage of road and building materials to at least one half the present price. It may also have the desirable result of lessening considerably the employment of women and children in carrying burdens to the Hill District. The new alignment of the road will make it possible to construct branch roads connecting other portions of the Hill District with the lower levels. I may add that applications for building sites on the portion of road in question are being received.

The Public Works Committee of this Council at a meeting held on 8th October, 1920, unanimously recommended the construction of this road at an estimated cost of \$86,250. At a further meeting of the Committee held on 13th January, 1921, a change in the route was recommended at a revised estimate of \$118,187, the hon. member dissenting. Government adopted the policy advocated by the Committee, but the revised estimate proved somewhat too low and on the 9th of April a contract for the construction of the road at a cost of \$127,965 was signed.

Arising out of the answer, Mr. Pollock asked what grounds the Government had for the statement that the road would reduce the cost of the carriage of road and building materials by one-half. He would also like to ask for particulars of any applications made for building sites on that portion of the road in question.

On the invitation of His Excellency, the Hon. Director of Public Works replied, stating that last week he had an opportunity of seeing a Dennis car, with a carrying capacity of two tons. The weight of the car was 2 tons 15 cwt., the total loaded weight being 4 tons 15 cwt. This car loaded could climb to the top in 15 minutes—an average speed of 10 miles an hour. Under Government contracts the present cost of conveying materials to the Peak was \$7.92 per ton, but the Dennis car could take materials to Mount Kellet for \$1.72 per ton. That was after allowing for every conceivable item of expenditure. Applications had already been received for sites and he knew that there were other tentative applications, because of enquiries as to when the road would be completed. The Asiatic Petroleum Company was among the applicants.

TYPHOON WARNING.

The telegram quoted below was received by the American Consulate General, Hongkong, from the Manila Observatory at 3 p.m. yesterday:—

Typhoon 136 deg. Long. E. and 18 deg. Lat. N., moving N.W.

U.S. CAMPAIGN FUNDS.

Colonel Procter, Manager for General Leonard Wood in his campaign for the Presidential nomination at the Republican Convention and a contributor of half a million dollars toward the campaign expenses, has entered suit against Treasurer Sprague of the Wood campaign committee, for the recovery of \$110,000.

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PLAN TO MERGE U.S. FORCES.

President-elect Harding Is Said to Have Approved the Proposal.

It is reported that President Harding is determined to amalgamate the war, navy, and air services of the Government into a single department of national defence, with one chief and sub-secretaries for each, one purchasing agency for all, and with joint boards of each service responsible for the proper defence of the country at all times. This plan meets with the hearty approval of men who have given this subject much disinterested thought in recent years.

Mr. Charles G. Dawes of Chicago is believed to be the man who brought this suggestion to Mr. Harding's attention in an emphatic way and Mr. Dawes learned his lesson and the necessity of such action in the school of experience during the year in France. Members of Congress for a decade have complained against having to appropriate for cannon for the army and cannon for the navy and cannon for fortifications, and now they are in a maze in the matter of making appropriations for airplanes for four different branches of the Government. Having no technical knowledge on the subject and having no personal responsibility in the matter, Congress on mass would like to see this muddle ended, providing somebody else does it.

Mr. Harding must get the consent of Congress to amalgamate the departments mentioned and, prior to asking its permission, John W. Weeks, the new Secretary of War, and Edwin Denby, the new Secretary of the Navy, must work out the plan of action. This change can be effected by such determined men as the new Cabinet officers, but, in the meantime, officers and men in the departments will bring all the Congressional influence they can find to bear on them to put a stop to it. This has been the experience of every economy and efficiency agency that has tried to effect a reorganization of the Government and explains why members of Congress who really favour the Harding idea have never had the courage to initiate it themselves.

The amalgamation of the army, the navy, and the air services, it has been estimated, may easily reduce expenditures by the Government for war services at least one-third. Not only a heavy overhead centralized and greatly reduced, but an end will be put to rivalry and competitive bidding between the departments. When Gen. Pershing established a central purchasing department for the army in France two years ago and placed Mr. Dawes at the head of it he did it without authority of law, but the saving in time and money together with the certainty and dispatch of the operations of the department brought economy and efficiency where absolute chaos reigned before.

It is no secret that under the old method of appropriating for Government departments various bureaus have been known to get appropriations from eight to ten committees of Congress. Under the new system in the House of Representatives, where one appropriations committee has supplanted the ten, an end has been put to some of this duplication. The amalgamation of duplicating departments should remove the remainder.

The Harding plan, if carried out to full completion, should

Lichtenstein, the third smallest independent State in Europe, has set the big nations an example of smart revenue-raising. Every few weeks a new issue of postage stamps is ordered, in several varieties. A few are sold to the public, after which the issue is annulled, and the bulk of it, enhanced in value by its cancellation, is bought up by collectors. A new issue follows, to be dealt with in the same way. This prompts a correspondent to ask whether the little State ought not to be rechristened, Lick' tenstein. Other Central European States have caught the notion, among them being Poland, with 150 varieties in two years.

Two stories of Marshal Foch illustrate a side of his character which adds something to his influence and charm. At a crisis in the war M. Clemenceau went to see him at the front. When the Premier arrived he was told by an officer at Headquarters that the Marshal was at Mass, "but," he added, "it is a matter of special importance I will call him out." "No, no," was the quick response, "leave him alone. It has carried him through very well so far." In March, 1918—such a month as France and Britain may well hope never to see again—a Methodist Council in London passed a resolution to send a telegram to Marshal Foch with the words "We are praying for you." The telegram was sent, but no reply was received. After the Armistice Foch in conversation with an English statesman confided to him that one of the things which had moved him most in the war was the receipt of an extraordinary telegram stating that the Methodists of England were praying for him.

A question commonly asked over here a writer in a Home journal, is how does Australia find it possible to continue states producing cricketers equal to and better than our best in a country whose population, in comparison with ours, is small indeed. The fact is the game means more to the average Australian than it does to the average Englishman. In this country not one in ten of us worries about cricket; in Australia the man, woman, or child that is not passionate about the game is regarded as a "crank." One has only to look at an Australian newspaper to get an idea of how much cricket means to the Australian. In a representative Adelaide paper for the morning following the Test match that gave Australia the ashes there appears to be nothing but cricket. Even the long leader—a "three-decker," too—is devoted to the game. There are not only some seven large columns about the match itself; in every nook and cranny of the paper cricket spills over.

enable Congress to know exactly what it is doing in making war appropriations. Members of Congress would favour lump sum appropriations for such items as cannon, powder, airplanes, clothing, food, guns and other items of general use in all services, leaving the joint boards to determine the details as to their allocation where most needed to keep the whole scheme of national defence up to standard.

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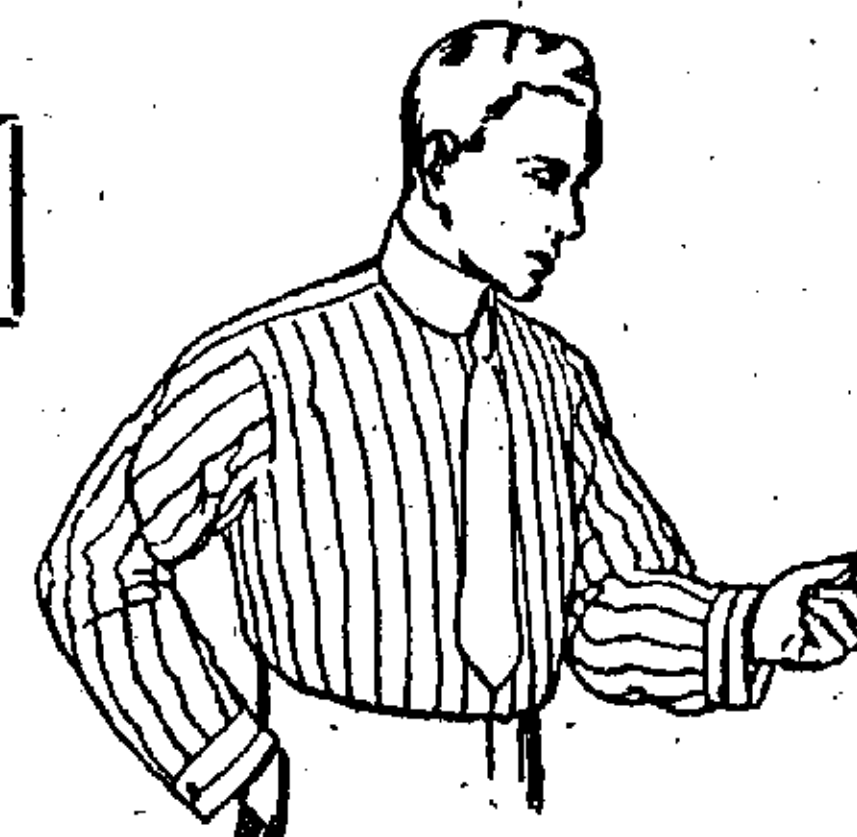
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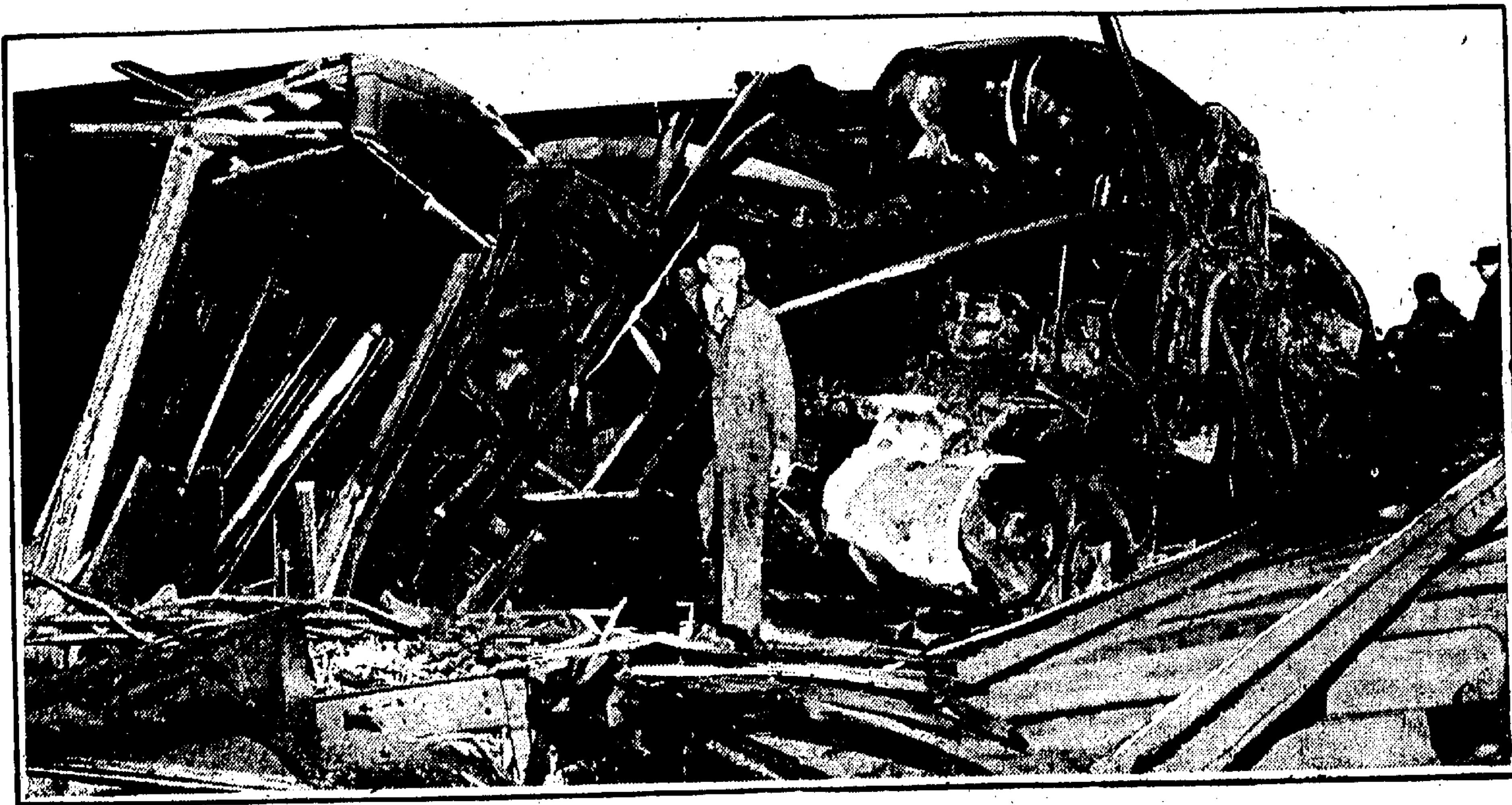
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WHAT A RAILWAY SMASH LOOKS LIKE.

Picture showing the disastrous results of a head-on collision which took place in Wales a few weeks ago.



Picture and slogan adopted by delegates at a conference in San Francisco of Chinese Nationalists called to carry on the fight for the return of Dr. Sun Yat-sen and constitutional government to China.

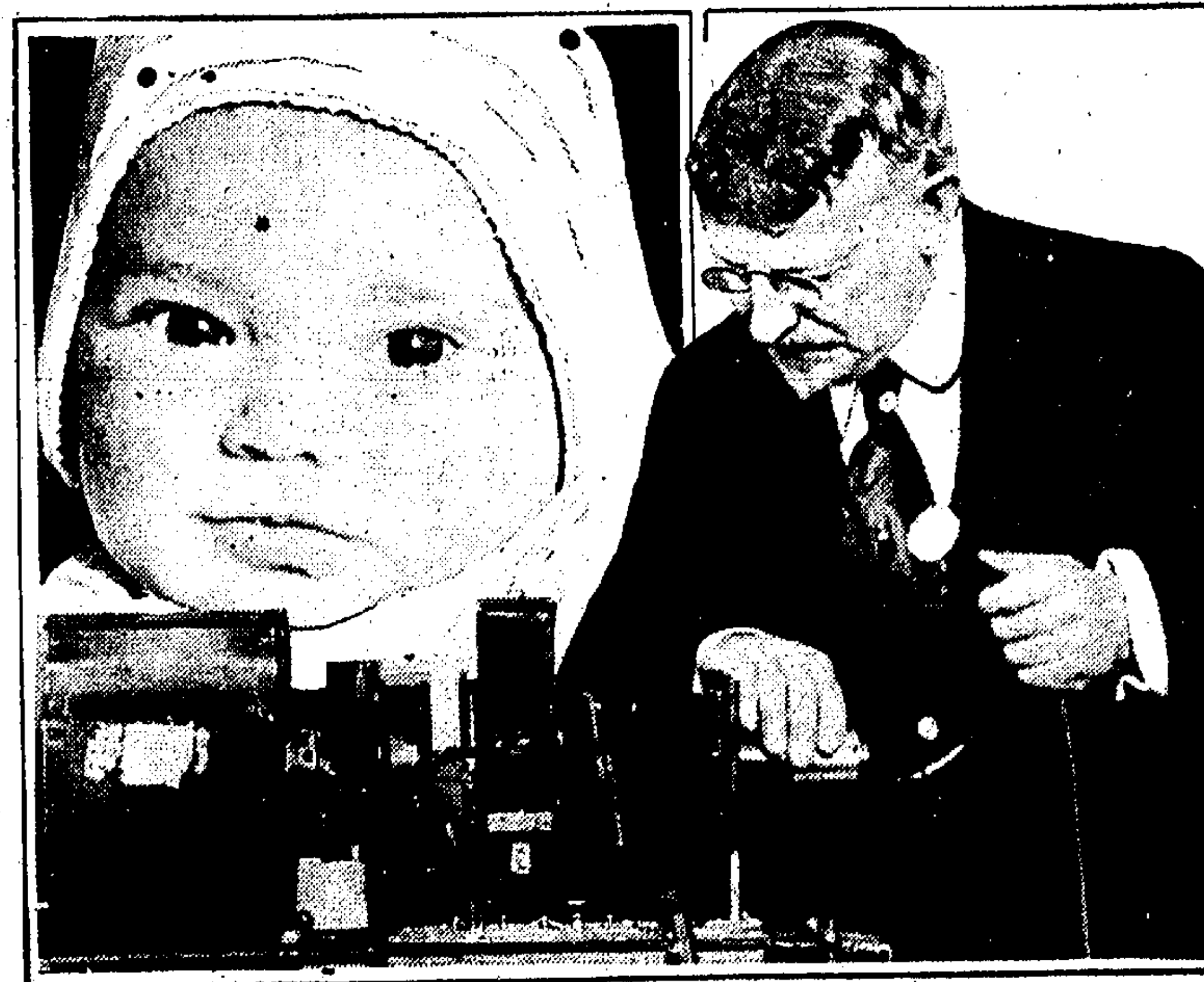


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The Queen of English stage beauties. This picture shows her as "Joy" in Maurice Maeterlinck's "Betrothal."



AN INDELICATE MACHINE.

Dr. Albert Abrams of San Francisco, is shown above at work on his reflexophone, a delicate instrument which he claims will determine the age, sex, nationality and parentage of a person, from a drop of blood. Inset is a picture of Virginia Vittori, three months old, whose blood was tested to determine who her father was.

DOINGS OF THE DUFFS

Helen Had a Fine Chance of Sleeping—

BY ALLMAN



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LITTLE FOLKS' CORNER.

ADVENTURES OF THE TWINS.

THE INVITATION.

Autumn went right along in Meadow Land the same as everywhere else. The nippy little winds were getting too sharp to be pleasant any longer in the mornings. Brrrr! The frost certainly was on the pumpkin and the corn, to Cobby Coon's and Flop Piel mouse's sorrow, "was in the shock." The juicy ears in Farmer Smith's sweet patch were no more. Just field corn, drying and hardening for the cows and horses to eat during the long winter months.

True, Ben Bunny was still getting sweet late cabbage and a carrot or two, and Scamper Squirrel was in his glory, for nuts were ripe, but Wally Woodchuck had only gleanings from the grain fields, although he still had tubs from the orchard. He loved sweet apples, also he made out a bit from the garden.

Meadow Grove School was still flourishing, however, Mr.



He walked right up to me in the corn-field and said he was having a masquerade.

Scribble Scratch had to wear earmuffs sometimes, and the Fairy Queen sent the twins fleecy mufflers to wrap around their throats, and Ted Toad's mother knitted him mittens, but sharp winds make sharp minds as well as sharp appetites, and the pupils learned astonishingly fast. They were studying now about the country called "Dreamland," to which they all expected to go in a short time.

One day the A class was having geography, and Nancy was giving the B class their music lesson. They didn't mix very well, Harry Hedgehog saying that the capital of Dreamland was either Sing Sing or Singapore, and Chick Chickaree saying he thought it was Tunis. Suddenly Nick rushed in waving a paper.

"The Scare Crow has asked us to a ball," he cried, handing the note to the Fairy Schoolmaster. "He's come to life, too. He walked right up to me in the corn field and said he was having a masquerade and would we all be pleased to come."

(To be continued to-morrow.)

PORT INTELLIGENCE.

The following shipping and mail intelligence has been corrected to noon to-day.

Vessels Arrived.

Vessel	Agents	From	Mooring
Hydrangea	Chiu On S. Co.	Singapore	Kowloon W.
Mexico Maru	O. N. K.	Nagasaki	A 4.
Teiko Maru	Y. K. K.	Osaka	B 19.
Cheribon Maru	Y. K. K.	Yokohama	C 43.
Yunnan	B. & S.	Bangkok	C 44.
Yingchow	B. & S.	Singapore	C 34.
Shoshu Maru	Y. K. K.	Keelung	K. Wharf.
Methven	C. P. O. S.	Saigon	

Clearances.

Vessel	Agents	Where Bound	Departure
Aki Maru	N. Y. K.	Nagasaki	13th April.
Yangtze Maru	Y. K. K.	Singapore	
Choyang	J. M. & Co.	Canton	
Maikawa	C. P. O. S.	Saigon	
Taipei	Y. Tai Hong	Cheloo	
Chiza Maru	Sato & Co.	Keelung	
Jinsho Maru	M. B. K.	Moit	
Hongchow	B. & S.	Hongkong	14th April.
Tienachue	B. & S.	Shanghai	
Tenfallach	S. Soon Heng	Amoy	
Tianzong	Yan Fat	Hoihow	
Souchow	B. & S.	Shanghai	

Impending Departures.

(Compiled from our Shipping Advertisements.)

Vessel	Agents	Destination	Sailing Date
Eastern	P & O	Australia	14th April.
Tokoda	P & O	Japan	14th
Souchow	B. & S.	Shanghai	14th
Alderman	J. C. J. L.	Hamburg	14th
Hongchow	B. & S.	Hongkong	14th
Choyang	J. M. & Co.	Shanghai	14th
Dakar Maru	N. Y. K.	Japan	15th
Kamakura M.	N. Y. K.	Japan	15th
Haihow	D. L. Co.	Pouchow	15th
Iyo Maru	N. Y. K.	Japan	15th
Kitani Maru	N. Y. K.	London	15th
Kioto	Bank Line	London	15th
Longgang	J. M. & Co.	Manila	15th
Tsushima Maru	N. Y. K.	Japan	15th
Persia	D. L. Co.	Japan	15th
Zinn	P & O	Bangkok	15th
Klyber	P & O	London	15th
Crosskeys	Admiral Line	London	15th
Lookang	J. M. & Co.	Calcutta	15th
Atrous	B. & S.	London	15th
Cheribon Maru	N. Y. K.	Japan	15th
Yamagata Maru	N. Y. K.	Japan	15th
Peasling	J. M. & Co.	Bangkok	15th
Desauls	P & O	London	15th
Dunera	P & O	London	15th
Yingchow	B. & S.	Tsingtau	15th
Idonouen	B. & S.	Liverpool	15th
Rangoon M.	N. Y. K.	Rangoon	15th
Tjitaroen	J. C. J. L.	Java	15th
Yunnan	B. & S.	Newchwang	15th
Delight	P. W. & Co.	American Ports	15th
Bah	J. C. J. L.	Sun Francisco	15th
Nikko Maru	N. Y. K.	Australia	15th
Apax	B. & S.	Genoa	15th
Kailong	B. & S.	Haiphong	15th

Impending Arrivals.

(Supplied by our Advertisers.)

Vessel	Agents	From	Due Hongkong
Atrous	B. & S.	Kobe	14th April.
Persia	D. L. Co.	Singapore	14th
Iyo M.	N. Y. K.	Singapore	14th
Tsushima M.	N. Y. K.	Bombay	14th
Kamakura M.	N. Y. K.	Japan	14th
Dakar M.	N. Y. K.	Liverpool	14th
Shantung	B. & S.	Hongkong	14th
Medville Dollar	R. D. Co.	Shanghai	15th
Klyber	P & O	Shanghai	15th
Yamagata M.	N. Y. K.	Singapore	15th
Yatoron M.	N. Y. K.	Singapore	15th
Rangoon M.	N. Y. K.	Singapore	15th
Agapenor	B. & S.	Kobe	15th
Apax	B. & S.	Singapore	15th
Gleniffer	J. M. & Co.	Europe	15th
Shinyo Maru	T. K. K.	Sun Francisco	15th
Idonouen	B. & S.	London	15th
Domodorus	B. & S.	Port Said	15th
Awo M.	N. Y. K.	Liverpool	15th
Hector	B. & S.	Suez	15th
Wenatchee	Ad. Line	Seattle	15th
Bowen Castle	Barber Line	New York	15th
Shizuka M.	N. Y. K.	London	15th

Consignees Diary.

(Compiled from our Advertisements.)

Vessel	Agents	Goods Stored	Free Claims Storage to be Expires by	Examination Date
Moorish Prince	Furness Ltd.	Kowloon	April 16	April 24
Viet Campang	Ad. Line	Kowloon	April 18	April 24
Mexico Maru	O. N. K.	Kowloon	April 18	April 24
Persia	D. L. Co.	Kowloon	April 20	April 23

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From	Per	Due
Shanghai	Klyber	15th April.
Shanghai	Shantung	15th
Shanghai	Yamagata Maru	15th
Shanghai	Yotoron Maru	15th
Shanghai	Rangoon Maru	15th
Shanghai	Enryalus	15th

For	Per	Date
*Swatow, *Shanghai & *N. China	Choyang	Fri. 15 inst. 11 a.m.
*Hoihow	Kam Ying Fat	Fri. 15 inst. 5 p.m.
*Japan	Tomushima Maru	Fri. 15 inst. 11 a.m.
*Shanghai, *North China & *Japan	Tsushima Maru	Fri. 15 inst. 9 a.m.
*Dairen	Kyodo Maru No. 13	Fri. 15 inst. 8 a.m.
*Shanghai, *North China & *Japan	Persia	Fri. 15 inst. 11 a.m.
*Bangkok	Zira	Fri. 15 inst. 2 p.m.
*Hoihow, *Strait, *Bangkok, Mauritius & *Marques	Lindsay Moller	Fri. 15 inst. 3 p.m.
*Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Haihow	Fri. 15 inst. 11 a.m.
*Philippine Islands	Long Sang	Fri. 15 inst. 2 p.m.
*Shanghai, North China & Japan	Iyo Maru	Fri. 15 inst. 9 a.m.
*Strait, *Bangkok, Ceylon, Mauritius, L. Marques, S. Africa, India via Dhamshkodi, Egypt & Europe via Marseille	Kitani Maru	Fri. 15 inst. 8.45 a.m. Letters 9.30 a.m.
*Strait, *Bangkok, Ceylon, Mauritius, L. Marques, S. Africa, India via Dhamshkodi, Aden, Egypt & Europe via Marseille	Klyber	Satur. 16 inst. 8.45 a.m. Letters 9.30 a.m.

The Parcel Mail will be closed at 5 p.m. Friday, 16th April.

*Tokyo	Shisen Maru	Satur. 16 inst. 11 a.m.
*Swatow, *Bangkok	Fooking	Satur. 16 inst. 5 p.m.
*Strait, *Bangkok, Calcutta & Aden	Yingchow	Satur. 16 inst. 2 p.m.
*Shanghai & N. China	Yingchow	Satur. 16 inst. 5 p.m.
*Swatow, Amoy & Keelung	Kaijo Maru	Satur. 17 inst. 9 a.m.

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DEVENHA	8,000	27th Apr.	London & Antwerp.
SOUDAN	7,000	29th Apr.	M'les, London & Antwerp.

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JAPAN	6,052	15th May	Calcutta via Singapore, Penang & Rangoon.
ZIRA	—	16th Apr. daylight	Bangkok.

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* EASTERN	4,000	14 Apr. 2.30 p.m.	Melbourne via Sandakan, Thursday Island, Townsville, Brisbane and Sydney.
* KANOWNA	7,000	6th May	—

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KITANO MARU ... Friday, 15th April, at 11 a.m.

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KAMO MARU ... Friday, 13th May, at 11 a.m.

HAMBURG, LONDON, HULL & ROTTERDAM.

MATSUYE MARU ... Friday, 29th April.

LIVERPOOL & MARSEILLES via Suez.

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NIKKO MARU ... Tuesday, 19th Apr., at 11 a.m.

AKI MARU ... Tuesday, 17th May, at 11 a.m.

NEW YORK via Suez.

YAMAGATA MARU ... Middle of May.

SOUTH AMERICAN PORTS via Cape.

KAWACHI MARU (Sailing from Singapore) Wed., 11th May.

BOMBAY & COLOMBO via Singapore.

WAKASA MARU ... Friday, 22nd April.

HAKATA MARU ... Tuesday, 3rd May.

CALCUTTA & RANGOON via Singapore & Penang.

RANGOON MARU ... Monday, 18th April.

JAPAN PORTS—Nagasaki, Kobe & Yokohama.

TANGO MARU ... Tuesday, 17th May, at 11 a.m.

SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA.

KAMAKURA MARU ... Friday, 15th April.

DAKAR MARU ... Friday, 15th April.

IYO MARU ... Friday, 15th Apr., at 11 a.m.

TSUSHIMA MARU ... Friday, 15th April.

YAMAGATA MARU ... Sunday, 17th April.

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STRAITS & Calcutta	Fooksang	Sat., 16th Apr. at 3 p.m.
BANGKOK via Swatow	Fookshing	Sun., 17th Apr. at d'light.
KOBE via Shanghai	Kumsang	Tues., 19th Apr. at d'light.
HAIPHONG via Hoihow	Loksang	Wed., 20th Apr. at 9 a.m.

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For	Steamers.	To Sail.
SHANGHAI & TSINGTAO.	Yingchow	16th Apr. at noon.
NEWCHOW	Yunnan	18th Apr. at noon.
H'HOW, PHOI & H'PHONG	Kailong	19th Apr. at 10 a.m.
SWATOW & BANGKOK	Chusan	19th Apr. at 10 a.m.
AMOY, SHAI & PUKOW	Shantung	19th Apr. at noon.
MANILA, CEBU & ILOILO	Taming	24th Apr. at 4 p.m.

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Haihong...	W. C. Passmore	FRI., 15th Apr. at noon.
Haiching...	A. H. Stewart	TUES., 19th Apr. at noon.

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S.S. "Borneo Maru" sailing on or about 8th May.

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COMMERCIAL NEWS.

WATER POWER AT CHEKIANG.
It is reported that water-power is being utilized at a sugar-refinery at Tachow, Chekiang, with success. The cost of the entire power plant, including a dam and a large wheel, is said to have been only Mex. \$580.**LARGE FILM CONTRACT.**

The Seattle Chamber of Commerce states: The Continental Trading Co., of Seattle, has just closed a contract for 2000 motion pictures and film projecting machines which will be distributed in the Orient and other foreign countries.

WEST INDIAN TRADE.

The West Indian Chambers of Commerce are considering the suggestion that there should be a trade agreement between the West Indies and Great Britain similar to that with Canada, and also the need of establishing a uniform West Indian currency.

IRON PIPING FOR DUTCH E.I.

Iron pipe importers in the Dutch East Indies state that the threads of British pipes are not cut to the same gauge as those of the German and American pipes, which form the bulk of the systems already laid, so that they are practically useless for extension work.

GROWTH OF SEATTLE'S TRADE WITH ORIENT.

The foreign and domestic commerce of Seattle within the last nine years increased 483 per cent. In 1912 the total commerce of this port with the Orient hardly equalled the amount of imports which came to Seattle from China and Japan during last March.

TINWARE FACTORY AT SHANGHAI.

Several prominent merchants of Shanghai have organized a company to operate a factory for the making of various kinds of tinware. The factory, which is located in the western district of the city, is expected to be in full working order some time this month. The machinery is being supplied from the United States.

NANTUNGCHOW POWER PLANT.

Sufficient capital has been obtained for the erection of an electric light and power plant in Nantungchow to supply current to all of the mills and factories in the district. The total cost of the plant is \$302,000 and \$45,000. Two-fifths of the total outlay has been paid and the machinery is expected to reach China in May. Construction work on the plant will be begun immediately. The plant is expected to be in operation by January 1, 1922.

SEATTLE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE OPPOSES ANTI-ALIEN BILL.

The Seattle Chamber of Commerce is taking a specific stand in opposition to the passage of the Anti-Alien bill, which has been passed by the lower house of the state legislature. The Bill provides that no alien who cannot become a citizen of the U.S. shall be permitted to own land in the State, and is aimed particularly at Japanese. The strong One Hundred Per Cent. Club of Seattle also endorse the stand of the Chamber, claiming that "the entire matter is one" for Federal consideration solely.

MOVEMENTS OF LUMBER CARGOES.

Among the lumber cargoes recently moving from Puget Sound ports are: Steamer West Ivis with 450,000 feet for Japan; Santa Inez with 42,000 feet for the West Coast; Melville Dollar with 1,000,000 feet of ties for China; Las Vegas with 640,000 feet for Australia; Arizona Maru with 218,000 feet for Japan; West Holbrook with 750,000 feet for Australia; Tokushima Maru with 300,000 feet for Japan; Salvator with 508,000 feet for the West Coast; and the Camano with 800,000 feet for the West Coast.

SEATTLE'S COMMERCIAL IN 1920.

While Seattle's trans-Pacific trade, in common with that of other Pacific coast ports, showed a slump in 1920, due to a diversion of cargo through the Panama Canal to Atlantic ports and to financial troubles in the Orient, decided gains were shown in the movement of products of this port to the other side of the Atlantic. Shipments to Great Britain totaled \$4,322,000 in 1920 as compared with 29,640 tons in 1919. Exports to Belgium doubled last year. The year also marked the initial movement of cargo from this gateway to Portugal, Norway, Sweden, and Germany. Exports of Washington products to South America increased from 6,000 tons in 1919 to 33,000 tons in 1920.

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WEATHER REPORT.

April 14d. 12h. 22m.—Pressure has decreased quickly at Vladivostok, and increased slightly to moderately elsewhere. The depression over Shantung yesterday is now crossing the Sea of Japan, and a weak anticyclone is situated in the Eastern Sea.

Hongkong Rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.05 inch. Total since January 1st, 5.94 inches, against an average of 8.23 inches.

FORECAST FOR THE 24 HOURS ENDING AT NOON TO-MORROW.

District.	Forecast.
1 Hongkong to Gap Rock	S.E. or variable winds, moderate; cloudy, with fog or mist.
2 Formosa Channel	The same as No. 1.
3 South coast of China between H.K. & Lamook.	The same as No. 1.
4 South coast of China between H.K. & Hainan.	The same as No. 1.

T. F. CLAXTON, Director.
H.K. Observatory, April 14, 1921.

TIME SIGNALS.

The time ball on Kowloon Signal Hill is dropped daily at 10 a.m. and 4 p.m., except on Saturdays, when it is dropped at 10 a.m. and 1 p.m., and on Sundays and Holidays when it is dropped at 10 a.m. only.

The ball is hoisted half mast at the 55th minute and full mast at the 57th minute. Should the ball fail to drop at the correct time, it will be lowered at five minutes past the hour and the ordinary routine repeated at the following hour, if possible.

Should the time ball be out of order the above routine will be carried out with the flag "Z", on the storm signal mast.

Time signals are also given at night by means of three white lamps mounted vertically on the Observatory wireless mast. From 8h. 56m. 0s. to 9h. 0m. 0s. p.m. the lamps are extinguished

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I/T Singapore	107 1/2
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I/T India	188
Demand, India	
I/T San Francisco	48 3/4
I/T & New York	
I/T Java	142
I/T Marks	Nom
I/T France	6.95
Demand, Paris	

BUYING.

4 m/s. L/C	2.77
4 m/s. D/P	2.84
6 m/s. L/C	2.82
30 d/s. Sydney and Melbourne	2.97
30 d/s. San Francisco & New York	52 1/4
4 m/s. Marks	Nom.
4 m/s. France	7.55
6 m/s. France	7.75
Demand, Germany	48 3/4
Demand, New York	Nom.
T/T Bombay	183
T/T Calcutta	Nom.
Demand, Calcutta	188
On Yokohama	100
Demand, Manila	110
Demand, Singapore	107 1/2
On Haiphong	Nom.
On Saigon	83 3/4
On Bangkok	Nom. 7.75
Sovereign	49.60
Gold leaf per Tael	34 1/2
Bar Silver, ready	34 1/2
forward	34 1/2
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New York/London	3.90 1/2

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H'kong 50 cts. pieces	par.
10 "	par.
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Hongkong April 14, 1921.

momentarily at the even seconds, except at the 2nd, 28th, 50th, 52nd, and 54th of each minute.

The hours refer to Hongkong Standard Time (8 hours of east Greenwich).

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Eitaro Saika c/o Inafuma Co., from Tokushima.
Ahyoung & Co. Victoria Street, from Shanghai.
Kitaro Toyosaburo, from T'au, S. F. Zih, Hongkong Hotel from Shanghai.
Saunders Hongkong Hotel, from Shanghai.
Mark Hoken, from Miyanosita Socken, from Omata.
Endt S. S. Tjikini, from S'hai.
Robjohn Hongkong Hotel, from Shanghai.
(Retransmitted, from Shanghai) dutt, c/o thos Cook and Son, from Tokyo.
Kaidah, from Amoy.
Engbhong, from Amoy.
Watwu Wohing Second Street Wanchai, from Amoy.
Fatkee, (2) from Shanghai.
Wingchungwing, from S'hai.
Hagutkwan Kwongtailoy Hotel from Shanghai.
Lamkwaihseng No 2 Robinson Road, from Amoy.
Leethyehoo Singheesang, from Amoy.
Abeich K. K., from Osaka.
Young Size Esq 94 Hollywood Road, from Amoy.
Youngsoywan 14 Connaught Road West, from Shanghai.
Thongyak, from Shanghai.
Seewesong, from Amoy.
Manwoo, from Shanghai.

TH. KRING.

Superintendent.

Hongkong, April 8, 1921.

THE MARQUIS OF CARISBROOKE.

The New York World states that the Marquis of Carisbrooke (formerly known as Prince Alexander of Battenburg) is entering on a business career and intends engaging actively in the shipping business with Lamport and Holt, having accepted a place on the board of directors. The World adds that the Marquis of Carisbrooke has been the guest of Mr. Cornelius Vanderbilt. During his stay, says the World, the Marquis did not hesitate to say that he had come hither for the purpose of forming a business connection.

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Barometer	29.84 29.92 29.91	
Temperature	76 72 77	
Humidity	90 95 86	
Wind Direction	S.W. E. E.	
Wind Force	1 2 1	
Weather	of of 0	
Rain	0.11 0.00 0.00	
Highest open air		
Temperature on the 13th	78	
Lowest open air		
Temperature on the 14th	71	

T. F. CLAXTON, Director.
H. K. Observatory, April 14.

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TIME TABLE.

WEEK DAYS.	Every 15 min
8.00 a.m. to 9.00 a.m.	15 min
9.30 a.m. to 10.30 a.m.	15 min
11.00 a.m. to 12.00 p.m.	15 min
12.30 p.m. to 1.30 p.m.	15 min
2.00 p.m. to 3.00 p.m.	15 min
3.30 p.m. to 4.30 p.m.	15 min
5.00 p.m. to 6.00 p.m.	15 min
6.30 p.m. to 7.30 p.m.	15 min
8.00 p.m. to 9.00 p.m.	15 min

SATURDAYS.

EX-TRA CAR 12.00 midday.

SUNDAYS.

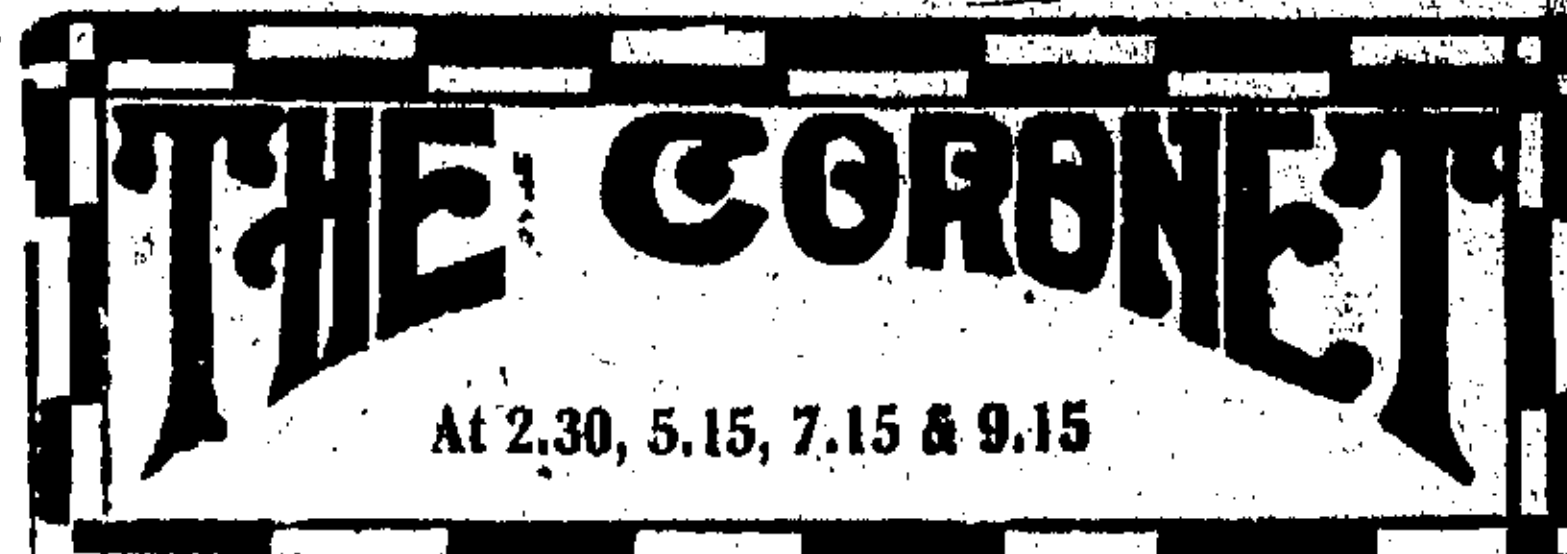
WEEK DAYS.	Every 15 min
8.00 a.m. to 10.30 a.m.	15 min
11.00 a.m. to 12.00 noon	15 min
12.30 noon to 1.30 p.m.	15 min
2.00 p.m. to 3.00 p.m.	15 min
3.30 p.m. to 4.30 p.m.	15 min
5.00 p.m. to 6.00 p.m.	15 min
6.30 p.m. to 7.30 p.m.	15 min
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11th to 17th April, 1921.

Day	High Water	Low Water	Day	High Water	Low Water
Mean Time	Mean Time	Mean Time	Mean Time	Mean Time	Mean Time
Mon. 11	10 37	6.9	Mon. 11	10 37	6.9
Tues. 12	11 9	5.0	Tues. 12	11 9	5.0
Wed. 13	11 13	6.9	Wed. 13	11 13	6.9
Thur. 14	12 05	6.9	Thur. 14	12 05	6.9
Fri. 15	1 30	6.6	Fri. 15	1 30	6.6
Sat. 16	2 29	6.3	Sat. 16	2 29	6.3
Sun. 17	3 39	6.4	Sun. 17	3 39	6.4

m morning, a-afternoon

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Bank.

H.K. & S. Bank	sa.	835
East Asia	b.	118

Marine Insurances.

Cantons	n.	445
North China	n.	t. 153
Unions	s.	275 sa. 272 1/2
Yangtze	n.	25 1/2
Far Eastern	b.	t. 30

Fire Insurances.

China Fire	b.	156
H. K. Fire	s.	332 sa. 331

Shipping.

Douglases	b.	60
H.K. Steamboats	b. & sa.	27
Indos (Pref.)	n.	32 1/2
Indo Def. Lon/Reg.	b.	280
Indo Def. H. K. Reg.	b.	270
Shells	n.	105 1/2
Perrier	s.	35

Refineries.

Sugar	n.	247
Malabon	b.	55

Mining.

Kailan	b.	90
Langkats	n.	t. 13

Shanghai Loans

Raub	b.	75 cts.
Tronohs	s.	24 1/2
Ural Caspian	b.	15 1/2

Docks, Wharves, Godowns, &c.

H.K. Wharves	b.	100
K. Docks	s.	219
S'hai Docks	b.	144
N. Engineerings	b.	15 1/4

Lands, Hotels & Buildings.

Centrals	n.	136
H.K. Hotels	b.	170
H.K. Lands	n.	190
H'phreys Est.	sa.	12 1/4
K'loon Lands	b.	35
L. Reclamations	b.	120
West Point	b.	61

Cotton Mills.

Ewos	sa.	t. 370
Kung Yik	b.	37
Lau Kung Mow	b.	—
Oriental	b.	14 1/2
S'hai Cottons	b.	121
Yangtzeppos	b.	23 1/2

Miscellaneous.

Cements	s.	14.10
Do. Light old	s.	12 1/2
China Light new	n.	11
China Providents	n.	12
Dairy Farms	b.	30
Electric H. K.	s.	24
Electric Macao	n.	30
Hongkong Ropes	b.	24
H.K. Tramways	sa.	12 1/2
Peak Trams, old	b.	9
Do. new	b.	1
Steam Laundries	b.	7 1/2
Steel Foundries	b.	8
Water-works	n.	15 1/4
Watsons	b. & sa.	8 1/4
Wm. Powells	b.	20
Wisemans	n.	52

Hongkong, April 14, 1921.